The Bethel News.

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NEWS OFFICE.

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Miss Lillian Stearns is in Boston.

Mr. Hannibal Grover has been ill at his home.

Mr. Milton Penley was in South Paris, Saturday.

Mr. Herman Mason recently made a trip to Boston.

Mr. N. F. Brown was in Portland on business, Saturday.

Mr. Reed of Gorham, N. H., has been the guest of Mr. Wilson.

Mrs. Fannie Bisbee has been to West Paris to visit relatives.

Mr. I. W. Ames who has been ill is reported as improving.

Mr. A. F. Copeland is in Franklin county on a business trip.

Judge Herrick and E. C. Park, Esq., are attending court at South Paris.

Mrs. W. D. Hastings' many friends are pleased to learn of her rapid gain.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook, Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Clifford Merrill has moved into the rent recently vacated by Mr. Charles Pingree.

Mr. Geo. Dumond of Bryant's Pond visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lambert recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark have moved into the house occupied by Mrs. Will Abbott.

Master Irving Harriman is in South Paris the guest of his uncle, Mr. Bannister Chapman.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Levi Bartlett, Thursday, March 15, at half past two.

Elsie Davis and Mabel Abbott visited Miss Abbott's sister, Mrs. O. L. Stone of Norway, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Lary of Gilead were in Bethel Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Emily Holt.

Mr. Harry. Brown and family moved Monday into the rent recently vacated by Mrs. Carrie Penley.

Miss Celia Estes who has been in Bethel and vicinity for a short time returned to Massachusetts yesterday.

Mrs. E. C. Park and daughter Muriel are visiting Mrs. Park's parents at South Paris for a few days.

Mr. E. Herrick and family occupy a rent in Mrs. Roxanna Bean's house until their permanent rent is ready.

Mr. Charles Pingree has moved into the house on Vernon street he purchased recently of Mrs. Lottie Barker.

Miss Fannie Capen, who has employment in Lynn, Mass., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Capen.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. Herrick Friday afternoon at half past two. Subject of study, Fra Angelico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jordan were called to Gorham, N. H., Thursday, by the death of two of Mr. Jordan's grand-nieces.

Prof. F. E. Hanscom returned Saturday night from a week's visit with relatives in Poland and Mechanic Falls.

Miss Marjorie Locke has been the guest of her cousin Miss Ethel Richardson and Miss Richardson accompanied her when she returned to her home in Norway.

To the strains of *martial music* that band of speakers, some twenty units strong, will be marshalled into the arena at 7:45 sharp on March 22. Let none miss this feature of the program.

Miss Alice Mason came to Bethel for a short time last week and is now with her mother at the home of her brother, Leslie Mason of Woodfords, where they will remain during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Mason, who are having a delightful trip to Jamaica.

Mr. John O'Connor was at his home in Percy last Sunday.

Mr. O. D. Stinchfield of Auburn was in town to-day.

Thursday evening, March 22. Come laugh and grow fat.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowler and son were in Portland, yesterday.

Miss Sarah Hall had an ill turn Sunday morning but is now more comfortable.

Mr. Gilbert Tuell and sister, Miss Abbie Tuell, visited at West Paris, Tuesday.

The Festival Chorus rehearsal will be held this evening at the home of Mrs. G. R. Wiley.

Mrs. Susan P. Chapman went to Percy, N. H., to-day to visit her sister, Mrs. A. S. Ellingwood.

Prize Speaking.

The prize speaking contest announced last week for Thursday evening, March 22, promises to be the event of a decade. Fathers and mothers, grandfathers and grandmothers will be boys and girls again and, in their fitting costumes, will come upon the stage in Odeon Hall and actually compete for prizes Whatever else you miss or do not miss, you certainly should witness the masterly efforts of these boys and girls. They will give a variety of selections which will extend from Mother Goose to the most profound orations of the centuries. The rendering of the selections will be second to nothing that has ever preceded the occasion in the world's history, and the costumes will have to be seen for they are indescribable.

Nor is this all. A male quartette and a girls' chorus will add much to the evening's entertainment. Some of the same girls who are to compete for the prizes will sing in the chorus and it may be said that they can sing as well as they can speak. March 22 at Odeon Hall—Get your seats early. Tickets will be on sale at the usual place, Friday morning.

Corporation Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation held last Monday evening the following officers were elected:

Moderator—E. C. Bowler.
Clerk—G. R. Wiley.
Assessors—J. U. Purington, D. S. Hastings, W. O. Straw.
Treasurer—E. C. Rowe.
Auditor—E. C. Park.
Collector—E. S. Kilborn.
Engineers—E. E. Whitney, N. E. Richardson, Gilbert Tuell.
Park Commissioner—H. E. Jordan.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Lighting streets	$400.00
Fire department	350.00
Hydrant service	890.00
Sinking fund for fire dep't	100.00
Miscellaneous expenses	175.00
Care of Common	50.00

Notice.

To any who desire lessons in instrumental music I would say that I will be in Bethel Tuesday and Wednesday of each week and can accommodate a few more pupils.

3w41 Mrs. Geo. I. Burnham.

Lots of Chorus Singers.

"I started in as a chorus singer at $15 a week, ten years ago. Now I know some 60 operas and can sing in five languages, and I am still getting $15 a week. So it is with all of us." That is the pathetic plaint of one of Herr Conried's striking chorus singers. The most obvious moral of this complaint is that the thousands of young people who join the choruses for a livelihood had better stay at home, help their mothers and get married. There doesn't seem to be much hope for nine-tenths of them in the operatic business.—Boston Herald.

Minerals in China.

China's mineral resources are to be developed. The Chinese government has ordered the immediate establishment of a department of mines in each of the 17 provinces.

Soon Told.

Tiffer—I see you've got a poultice on your eye. How did it happen?

Tatt—By not keeping a poultice on my tongue.—Chicago Tribune.

OBITUARY.

The sudden departure to the higher life of Miss Emily E. Holt of No. [illegible] Pelham Place, Boston, on March 6, came as a great shock to her many relatives and friends both in Maine and Massachusetts. Miss Holt had, only four weeks before, sustained a broken ankle which had, at the time of her departure, apparantly healed; but in her first efforts to exercise the whole limb after the plaster cast had been removed she succumbed in half an hour. What might be termed acute blood-poisoning was the probable cause of her sudden collapse.

Miss Holt during her residence in Boston had by her sunny temperament, her thoughtfulness for the comfort and pleasure of others, gathered around her home what is always much to be treasured—a large circle of true friends both young and old. Especially did she delight in the companionship of childhood and youth, a blessing not given to many who perhaps have a latent desire to be loved by all, but lack the happy faculty of expressing it, therefore meeting the inevitable response.

Prayers were held at her late residence. The remains were accompanied to Bethel by her brother, Charles S. Holt, and son, Carlton G. Holt of 80 Essex St., Lynn, Mass., and the funeral service was held at the home of her brother W. A. Holt, Rev. A. D. Colson officiating. A trio composed of Miss Barbara Carter, Miss Bessie Andrews and Mr. Colson rendered three selections: "Abide With Me," "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," and "When the Mists Have Cleared Away" which was a special favorite of the deceased. Many floral offerings bore loving tribute of friends and relatives, among whom were C. R. Osborne, L. M. George, G. W. Wales, Jas. T. Manson, Mrs. J. M. Brevoel, Mrs. Swartz, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Pettengill, C. W. Cole, E. G. Torrey, Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Bertha Edgley, W. G. Wentworth, Mrs. Green, all of Boston. Conspicuous among the many floral pieces was an immense spray of Jacqueminot roses from Mr. Clarence Heath; an ivy wreath from Mr. Thurston; a heart of roses from Messrs. Morgan and Bickford of Boston; and a large pillow, and sprays of white sweet peas and white carnations from the brothers and sisters and nephews of the deceased. The family chain of which Miss Holt was a beloved link has been severed many times in the past few years, and the fortitude with which the surviving members bear their grief is indeed worthy of emulation by all, for the inevitable must be met.

CHURCH NOTES

METHODIST.

Morning Preaching Service at 10.45.
Sunday School 12.00.
Epworth League 6.15.
Evening Preaching Service 7.15.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Next Sunday morning the question of the sermon will be "Christian or Pagans."

There will be one service in the evening, beginning at 6:45 o'clock. The Christian Endeavor topic "Christian Conduct." the meeting in charge of the Social Committee of the society. We are planning a social religious service. The church parlor will be opened and an informal reception held as the friends come in. It is desired that the whole service shall be social and spiritual. All who participate are asked to speak from their own mind and heart and to lay aside all printed helps and quotations except the Bible.

Let the attendance be large and the spirit of fellowship prevail.

Flinch Party.

The last Flinch party of the season will be held at Prospect Hotel tomorrow (Thursday) evening. These parties have been a source of much pleasure during the past winter and as this is to be the last no doubt there will be a large attendance.

To Cure A Cold In One Day.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

MORE GOODS,

On March 1st I opened a new department,

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and my sales have far exceeded my expectations.

I am ambitious to make this department the best of its kind in town and shall endeavor to make it attractive in both goods and prices.

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and I am constantly adding to my stock.

This week I have some new CHEMISETTES which will be worn a great deal this summer, many styles at 25 and 50 cents.

Many customers have praised my line of ribbons as being the best and most complete line in town.

I carry three grades and all sizes from the narrow up to number 80 in at least one grade.

The prices are very reasonable.

Any suggestions you care to offer about additional goods will be appreciated and acted on whenever practical.

Edward King,

Bethel, Maine.

NORTH NEWRY.

Bert Thurston, wife and children, stoped with W. D. Kilgore Thursday night, on their way home from Portland. Mr. Thurston has a camp for summer boarders at Greno Pond, Errol, N. H.

Will Walker is building a new mill or factory.

J. P. Latchford has his new mill almost completed.

Bert Paine has finished work for Mr Latchford.

Will Warren has finished loggin and is getting ice for his creamery.

L. L. Searle is stopping at I. P. Kilgore's.

Mrs. Vail is in town stopping with her daughter and calling on friends.

E. P. Chapman is laid up again with his hand from which he had the thumb taken, about a year ago at the hospital. He thinks he will have to lose a finger now.

For Sale.

One Cooley Creamer and seven cans, all in good condition and will be sold cheap. Inquire of

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Wanted.

On or before April 12th, man and wife to carry on the Bethel Town Farm and care for the inmates for the coming year.

F. J. RUSSELL, } Overseers
F. F. BEAN, } of
W. O. STRAW, } Poor.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Blanch Bartlett has returned to Lowell, Mass.

C. M. Kimball is attending court at Paris as juryman.

A handsome deer visited this place last week making a number of door-yard calls.

Miss Edna Bartlett has a handsome new Bromller piano.

Miss Rose Greenwood is working for Mrs. G. H. Swan.

Miss Amy Bartlett closed her school at South Rumford the 9th and has returned to her home here.

Mr. Lester Bean has returned from Princeton where he has been teaching for the last four months.

The gentlemen of Alder River Grange served supper in the new hall last Thursday evening with great success. A first class oyster stew, hot coffee and all kinds of cake were served in the best of style and perfect order was maintained A baked bean and pastry supper will be served March 22.

A Gauranteed Cure For The Piles.

Itching, Blind, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

To Mothers in This Town.

Children who are delicate, feverish and cross will get immediate relief from Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for children. They cleanse the stomach, act on the liver, making a sickley child strong and healthy. A certain cure for worms. Sold by all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

DIED.

In Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 9, of Bright's disease, Almeran Roberts formerly of Hanover, age 59 years, 9 months, 10 days.

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March 23, 1904.

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I have used your "L. F." Bitters for a number of years and find them just what they are recommended to be. The best family medicine we have ever used. Also have an uncle *over (70) seventy years of age*, who says: "There is nothing that ever could take its place for him."

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Los Angeles, Cal.	
San Francisco, Cal.,	$51.25
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Spokane, Wash.,	$49.75
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For men and women, $3.50. Best shoe made in Maine. Also Pillsbury-Howe shoe for children. I also have a good stock of Rubbers, Leggings, Moccasins, etc.

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Digests what you eat.

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Compound Gives Positive Relief
Safe, Quick, Reliable Regulator
Superior to other remedies sold at high prices. Cure guaranteed. Successfully used by over 100,000 Women. Price, 25 Cents, druggists or by mail. Testimonials and booklet free.
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Doctors are Puzzled.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth McIver, of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the Throat and Congestion of the Lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say, it saved my life." Cures the worst Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, tonsilitis, Weak Lungs, Hoarseness and LaGrippe. Guaranteed at All Druggists. 50c and $1.00, Trial bottle free.

The Laziest Man

AN IRISH FOLK-LORE STORY TOLD IN MODERN DIALECT

By SEUMAS MacMANUS
Author of "Donegal Fairy Tales," etc.

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"Lazy castle!" Aye, it's a quare name in troth. An' it's as quare natured as it's quare named. It has stood there now ten hundred years, an' if it stood ten hundred more it would never have anything quarer about it than the way it got its name.

In them days there was two particular kings who owned two kingdoms in Ireland, that lay in to each other—the king of Tirbane an' the king of Tirkane—an' as was usual with neighbors, there was always more or less territory in dispute atween them; but at this time I tell about there was a particularly large fadge of land held by the king of Tirkane, an' claimed by the king of Tirbane. Now, at the heel-end of five an' twenty years' fightin', the king of Tirkane made a proposal to the king of Tirbane.

"W have been fightin' five an' twenty years now," says he, "an' neither of us is able to overmaster the other.

"My proposal is this: that each of us should search among his subjects, an' produce the three best an' most accomplished men in three different lines of art—namely, our wisest men, our stupidest men an' our laziest men—an' set the four pairs of them to prove their abilities; an' whichever of our people—yours or mine—will make the best showin' in this contest, to his side will be adjudged the disputed tract of country. Is that fair," says he, "or is it not?"

"It's fair an' agreeable," says the king of Tirbane, says he, "as a May day, an' I call it a bargain."

Then both of them went an' give out to their own people the terms of their agreement, an' they called upon their people to produce for them the three best men among them in these three different lines of art. An' without any more delay, about the task the two kingdoms set themselves. An' they first an' foremost produced the two wisest men known within their boundaries, an' they were set ag'in one another in the court of the king of Tirkane to prove which of them was the wisest.

When the judges had rested an' recovered from the battle of the two wise men, then the stupidest men of the both kingdoms was fetched in an' set ag'in the other to prove which was the stupidest. When the first man told how stupid he was, he showed himself so extraordinary stupid that the judges wanted to rise an' not waste any further time on that contest.

But the king said: "No, no; we must, even for form's sake, give the other man a hearin' anyhow."

So for form's sake they consented to sit down again an' let the other man be called. An' by my boots, when the other man made his appearance, an' told how stupid he was, the judges there an' then wanted to give him the prize without any further consideration, for they said that the other man was a King Solomon compared to him.

For four an' twenty hours the contest went on, each of the two of them every time showin' himself ten times stupider than the other fellow, till the poor judges got befogged again, an' was able to give no decision atween them.

An' that case, too, had to be left as it was.

That was two of the three contests over, an' the case hadn't advanced any, so the whole thing now turned upon the third.

The king of Tirkane he got a man that for fair, downright laziness couldn't be beat, an' he was ready to stake his life upon it. But, on the other hand, the king of Tirbane got a man whose name an' fame had traveled far an 'wide, known an' noted as bein' the laziest man that ever cumbered the earth. An' so both sides were certain of victory. When the day come, an' the kings an' their courts assembled, an' the judges sat, the two lazy champions were carried in on carts, an' thrown down on the carpet in the court, each to prove his laziness.

Well, the kings an' their courts an' the judges had seen an' known of lazy men in their day, but anything to compare with the king of Tirkane's man for laziness they had never dreamt of, let alone seen or known An' then, when it come to the other man's turn to show up his laziness, the sorra case they could get him to show or prove, an' nothing could they get out of him but grunts. An' the king of Tirbane was so aggravated an' maddened to see the other king's man prepared to talk for the length of a day an' a night to prove his case, while his own fellow would give out nothing but grunts that he jumped up, without more ado, sayin' that he give in, an' give up the contest an' the disputed country to the king of Tirkane; that the fellow he had fetched there, believin' him to be the laziest man, was only a fool, an' he himself was a bigger fool to fetch him; an' he said, moreover, that he was such a worthless fellow that he would never have him brought back into his kingdom again.

"Then," says the king of Tirkane, says he, "what are you goin' to do with him? I'll not take the support of such a good-for-nothing fellow on my kingdom."

"Then if you don't," says the king of Tirbane, says he, "the best thing to do is to take him off an' bury him."

An' the king of Tirkane consented that this was the best an' the wisest thing, while the fellow himself still lay on there on the floor, never as much as blinkin',

"Get him on a cart there," says the king of Tirbane to four of his fellows, "an' thrinnle him off to the handiest graveyard, an' stick him in."

The four of them got 'round the fellow, an' lifted him like a log, an' carried him out an' threw him in the bed of the cart, an' hurried off for the graveyard.

But the king of Tirkane, who was a dacent fellow, said that there was no one ever left his court for the graveyard that he didn't attend the funeral. He would do this fellow the honor of attendin' his, too, worthless divil though he was. An' himself an' a great part of his court stepped out after the cart.

Now, comin' near the graveyard, they were passin' a farmer's house, an' the farmer hearin' the rumble of the cart an' the tramp of the funeral, come out to see who was goin' to be buried. An' when he saw that the corp was a livin' one, he says: "Ain't it a pity an' for why are you goin' to bury a live man?"

"Well," they said to him, "he's good for neither king nor country. He's a worthless divil who hasn't enough in him to support himself. His own king refuses to support him, an' our king couldn't afford it. We're sorry, but there's nothing else for it but to bury the fellow."

Now the farmer went an' he stopped the cart, an' when he had a look at the chap lyin' in the bed of it, he says: "Upon my word but it would be a poor thing, too, to put him into the grave. If there's no objection," says he to the king of Tirkane, "an' if you like to stop the funeral here, an' carry him into my house," says he, "I'll give him his support. I feed a great many hands," says he, "an' there's a great roughness of meat about my house, an' the support of one man more or less will neither be here nor there."

"That's very kind an' charitable of you," says the king of Tirkane, says he. "There'll be no objections in the wide worl' to your doin' so. Do you hear," says the king of Tirkane to the fellow in the cart, givin' him a prod; "What have you got to say to that?"

The fellow in the cart never moved a muscle nor blinked an eye, but says he: "Ax him," says he, "what will he give me to ait."

"I'll give you," says the farmer, says he, steppin' forrid to the cart, "I'll give you your fill of mutton an' beef, rashers an' eggs, tay, bread an' butter an' potatoes, an' feed it to you four times a day, as well as in the middle of the night, too, if you feel an appetite for it."

"A generous offer, by my troth," says the king.

"Ax him," says the man in the cart, says he, "will the potatoes he gives me be peeled."

"Oh," says the farmer, says he, steppin' forrid again, "we always serve the potatoes in their jackets. You'll peel them yourself."

"Then if you please," says the fellow in the cart, says he, still never movin' or never blinkin', "if you please," says he, "stan' aside an' let the funeral push on."

"Stop the cart! Stop the cart!" shouts out the king of Tirkane, gaspin' an' wake with the wonderment. "Be off back," says he to one of his courtiers, "with all the speed of your heels, an' overtake the king of Tirbane, where he is on his way home, an' tell him to come back, for that the disputed country is his, an' it is right well he deserves it. As for you," says he then, gettin' up an' goin' over to the fellow in the cart, "as for you," says he, "I'll have you taken back to my own castle, an' kept there as long as you live, an' fed of the best that myself an' the people of my kingdom can afford, an' as much as a potato you'll never have to peel," says he. "Turn the cart," says he to the driver.

"Aisy," says the chap in the cart, says he. "Will you please tell me first how far back is your castle."

"Well, it is as good as two mile," says the king, says he.

"An' how far is the graveyard?" says the lad in the cart..

"Less nor a mile," says the king.

"Then," says the fellow in the cart, "one mile of this joltin' is a dail aisier than two. Drive on to the graveyard."

The king of Tirkane, when he got his breath with him after this, run an' got himself afore the horse an' cart, an' commanded the driver on his peril to go no further. "For," says he, "it would be a disgrace to myself an' my kingdom for all time, to bury such a jaynius as this. But if it is too much trouble to him to be taken back two mile, his wishes are surely entitled to all respect. If he does not want to go to the castle," says the king, "he's richly desarvin' that the castle should come to him."

An' there an' then he called upon his carpenters and his sail-makers to build a tent 'round him in the cart where he lay; an' next day he started all the masons in the land an' all the carpenters to build a castle, the bate or like of which wouldn't be found in Ireland again, 'round this jaynius. An' in that castle, the bate or like of which wasn't in Ireland again, with a window forninst every day of the year, the lazy jaynius, surrounded by all the comforts that the known world could afford, lived till he died—which was a lea an' long time after—honored, respected an' famious throughout that country an' the whole civilized worl'. An' when he died he was buried with all the honor of a king. An' it's him was richly desarvin' of that same.

An' there on the hip of Augher hill you can see the remains of his castle to this day.

The chronic hand-shaker often has a knife up his sleeve.

BLUE RIBBON FOR BRAINS.

English Wise Men Will Enter an Interuniversity Thinking Match.

British thinkers, rebelling against the custom of awarding great prizes to college athletes and neglecting the thinkers, have proposed and are urging throughout the kingdom a "blue ribbon for brains," an interuniversity contest between the thinkers and students, for an award of merit.

The neglect of brains and the constant lauding of brawn in the press of Britain, as well as in university circles, has called forth the protest and the demand for recognition and reward of the brainy men of the great schools.

Just what form the thinking match for the championship is to assume is not stated. Those who are urging the contest plead that nine men from each of the great universities meet in the contests. Whether it will consist of looking wise, or in oratory, in written examinations in certain subjects, they do not state. The contest may take the form of the standing long think, or the running high think, or the two-minute handicap think, or the long distance think.

At any rate, the proposition is to make the event of the blue ribbon thinking match of all England and to show the thinkers that they are esteemed as high at least as are the athletes. Who will be the first champion thinker of Great Britain is a question of vital interest.

WAS NOT HALF THROUGH.

Darky Pursued by Ghost Was Going to Make Better Time.

Two men in a southern town, getting into an argument made a wager that one of them could not hire a darky to stay all night in a well known haunted house, which no one would occupy.

Hunting up a strapipng negro, the man offered him $5 to stay in the house during the night, keeping awake all of the time.

The negro entered the place in the evening and kept walking back and forth to keep from going to sleep. Promptly on the stroke of midnight the ghost appeared. Unlike most ghosts, this one was pleasant and affable and, seeing the man, said:

"Ah, good evening; it seems there will be two of us here to-night."

With bulging eyes and drooping jaw the other managed to stammer: "Y-y-yas sah, b-b-but dey won't be long."

And suiting the action to the words he went out of the house and down the road as hard as he could run, with the ghost in close pursuit. When completely out of breath, the darky sat down by the roadside to rest, and the ghost, coming up, blandly remarked: "That was a very pleasant run we had just now."

And the darky replied: "Yas, sah—but it ain't—nuffin—to de one—we'se—going ter hab."

HOLDS UNUSUAL POSITION.

Only Woman in the World Who Conducts a Dry Dock Business.

Miss Ella Lawless occupies a unique position in marine affairs. She is the proprietor of a dry dock and shipyard in Jersey City, and is carrying on the business founded by her father, who died about five years ago. She is the only woman in this country, if not in the world, conducting a dry dock business. She is making a success of it, for she is equipped with executive ability, courage, business tact and last but not least, personal magnetism, and thoroughly understands all the details of her unusual calling. Miss Lawless was born in New York state in a town near Syracuse, and comes of revolutionary stock. One of her ancestors served throughout the war for independence under Washington. Her father took a prominent part in the civil war. She is a charter member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and is actively affiliated with other fraternal societies. Miss Lawless resides in Union Hill, N. J., and is prominently identified with the social and charitable life of the town.

TELEPHONE-MEGAPHONE.

Unique Instrument Now in Use at a Colorado Pay Station.

A public telephone pay station of unusual interest is at Colorado Springs. The instrument is connected with the system of the Colorado Telephone company and is mounted on a substantial wooden box on a pole at a convenient height for passersby.

The box is supplied with the usual telephone directory, and the instrument is equipped with the familiar slot and cashbox used in "nickel service."

The interesting feature of the installation, says the Electrical Review, is the small megaphone trumpet of tin. The telephone station primarily constitutes the local substation of a news stand about 20 feet away, and the object of the megaphone is to enable the newsman to hear the ringing of the telephone bell amid the noises of the street—a matter of no small difficulty otherwise when the box door happens to be closed.

Suggesting a Way Out.

She—I am sorry, Mr. Jones, that I cannot accept your affection.

He—Then all you have to do, my dear madam, is to return it.—Baltimore American.

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused It to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert

and investigating mind, an earnest seeker after knowledge, and above all, possessed of a wonderfully sympathetic nature.

In 1843 she married Isaac Pinkham, a builder and real estate operator, and their early married life was marked by prosperity and happiness. They had four children, three sons and a daughter.

In those good old fashioned days it was common for mothers to make their own home medicines from roots and herbs, nature's own remedies—calling in a physician only in specially urgent cases. By tradition and experience many of them gained a wonderful knowledge of the curative properties of the various roots and herbs.

Mrs. Pinkham took a great interest in the study of roots and herbs, their characteristics and power over disease. She maintained that just as nature so bountifully provides in the harvest-fields and orchards vegetable foods of all kinds; so, if we but take the pains to find them, in the roots and herbs of the field there are remedies expressly designed to cure the various ills and weaknesses of the body, and it was her pleasure to search these out, and prepare simple and effective medicines for her own family and friends.

Chief of these was a rare combination of the choicest medicinal roots and herbs found best adapted for the cure of the ills and weaknesses peculiar to the female sex, and Lydia E. Pinkham's friends and neighbors learned that her compound relieved and cured and it became quite popular among them.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price, as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too much for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful depression, so when the Centennial year dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found.

At this point Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was made known to the world.

The three sons and the daughter, with their mother, combined forces to restore the family fortune. They argued that the medicine which was so good for their woman friends and neighbors was equally good for the women of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it recommended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until to-day Lydia E Pinkham and her Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continuing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience she was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case that came to her attention. The case of every sick woman who applied to her for advice—and there were thousands—received careful study, and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference, and to-day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham. She was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her vast correspondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its originator passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing in the work shows when the first Lydia E. Pinkham dropped her pen, and the present Mrs. Pinkham, now the mother of a large family, took it up. With woman assistants, some as capable as herself, the present Mrs. Pinkham continues this great work, and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Yours for Health" freely given if you only write to ask for it.

Such is the history of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; made from simple roots and herbs; the one great medicine for women's ailments, and the fitting monument to the noble woman whose name it bears.

A caller, condoling with a lady on the death of her husband, inquired, "Did he leave you much?" Nearly every night," was the reply.

One would think that the Laxative idea in a cough syrup should have been advanced long before it was. It seems the only rational remedy for Coughs and Colds would be to move the bowels and clean the mucus membranes of the throat and lungs at the same time. Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar does this. It is the Original Laxative Cough Syrup, the best known remedy for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, etc. Tastes good and is harmless. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

Torture by Savages.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the Kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood disorders and Malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by All Druggists. Price 50 cents.

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WINTER BIRD NEIGHBORS.

Many of These Much-Traveled Little Fellows Are Surprisingly Tame.

It is surprising that there are birds which come to us only to spend the winter, says St. Nicholas, leaving us again at the beginning of spring for northern lands and snow-banked hillsides, where the long day and pale twilight nights of the arctic reign. Birds that raise their broods in the far, treeless northland, where heather, grasses and stunted alders grow on a shallow, soaking soil underlaid by a great depth of eternal ice, at the approach of winter gather into great roving flocks to surge southward to the gentler climate of our blizzardy "temperate" winters! Yet all young country folks have seen these restless wandering flocks of winter lovers, and occasionally even in the towns and cities there arrive unfamiliar companies of fat, fluffy birds, busily opening the cones of firs and spruces, or devouring the buds of the maples.

Many of these much-traveled little fellows are wonderfully tame, and seem not to experience fear of man so universal with animals that rear their young in his neighborhood. Pine-grosbeaks and cross-bills, whose real homes are in the silent, moss-filled spruce forests of the great north, will almost allow themselves to be caught in your hand! With the field-roving kinds, like the snow-buntings, horned larks, and longspurs, this fearlessness is not found, probably from the constant lookout they are forced to keep against the cunning and hungry white foxes and the daring, trap-jawed little ermine that persistently hunt them in their northland home. But the rosy little redpolls, the creepers, kinglets, "little friend chickadee," as the northern Indians call him, and all the other deep forest dwellers, are as unafraid of us as they are of the gentle porcupines and deer of their home woods.

Every Two Minutes

Physicians tell us that all the blood in a healthy human body passes through the heart once in every two minutes. If this action becomes irregular the whole body suffers. Poor health follows poor blood; Scott's Emulsion makes the blood pure. One reason why

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A screen is used to hide things. They screen coal to hide short weight—huh?

A Denver girl sprained her ankle at a football game. Gee, she must have a deep voice!

Palm—Do men usually give according to their means?

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Prunes—It's so hard to manage, and so expensive.

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She—I'll learn you to find fault with my temper. When we married you took me for better or worse.

He—Yes, Martha, but did I hope there would have been something like an average.

Can't Use Cornstarch.

In Greece, for some reasons, climatic or other, it seems absolutely impossible of utilize cornstarch in the manufacture of cambrics and other textiles, although many trials have been made during several years past, as the spindles, especially in the case of colored textiles, clog.

Western Kansas editors have a unique way of prodding up delinquent subscribers, as this will indicate: "If you have frequent headaches, dizziness, fainting spells, accompanied by chills, cramps, corns, bunions, chilblains, epilepsy, and jaundice it is a sign that you are not well but are likely to die at any moment. Pay your subscription a year in advance and thus make yourself solid for a good obituary notice."

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"No?" replied Miss Pepprey, with an unconcealed yawn.

"No. She told me if I called on you I'd only be wasting my time."

"Ah, I see. She doesn't consider my time worth anything."—Philadelphia Press.

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SOLDIERS BURIED ALIVE.

Disinterment of Bodies at Fort Hayes, Kan., Shows Ghastly Mistake.

Horrible discoveries were lately made in the cemeteries of old Fort Hayes, Kan., where the bodies of soldiers buried during frontier days are being disinterred and taken to Leavenworth for reburial. These discoveries go to show that a large number of those buried during the cholera scare and epidemic were really buried alive and afterward returned to consciousness while in the tomb. The matter is being discussed as little as possible among those doing the work, and is being suppressed by the authorities, who are giving out little or no information.

Caskets were disinterred that gave evidences of frightful struggles of the inmates for life. Some of the bodies had turned over; others had the legs drawn up to the neck; in others the hands were filled with hair that had been torn out by the roots, and the faces were distorted fearfully. In some the clothing was almost torn from the bodies.

The principal evidences of living interments were found in the section of the old cemetery, where a large number of cholera victims had been buried. During the cholera scare the health laws required the immediate burial of victims after they were pronounced dead. It is supposed that in the haste and fright a number of supposed dead men were buried, and that these later returned to consciousness.

CHANGES IN BIRTH RATES.

London Statistician Says Fluctuations Rise and Fall with Prices.

At a meeting of the Royal Statistical society, held recently in London at the society's rooms, a paper was read on "The Changes in the Marriage and Birth Rates in England and Wales During the Last Half Century, with an Inquiry as to Their Causes," by G. Udny Yule.

A careful examination in the fluctuations in the birth rate showed, declared Mr. Yule, that it appeared to respond, like the marriage rate, to the cycle of trade and industry, though the movement is curiously irregular as compared with that of the latter rate. The fall of the birth rate, or a marked increase in the rate of fall, commenced in many European countries just about 1875-76, that is, when the effect of the fall in prices from 1873 was just beginning to made itself felt.

The turning point was too well marked not to be due to some very definite cause, and too widespread to be ascribed to any cause of at all a local character. The greatest intercensal increase rates in England and Wales occurred, it was pointed out, after periods of high prices.

WORDS BUT RARELY USED.

Strange Sentence in English Which Was Rattled Off by a Philologist.

A philologist was talking about words. "There are over 225,000 words in the English language," he said, "but we only use a few thousand of them. The extra ones are no use to us. Any man could sit down with a directory and write in good English a story that no one in the world would understand. Here, for instance, can you make head or tail of this?"

And the philologist pattered off glibly:

"I will againbuy the atabal. You are asweyed? Yet this is no blushet's bobance nor am I a cudden, either. Though the atabal is dern, still will I againbuy it."

Then he translated:

"I will recover the drum. You are amazed? Yet this is no young girl's boasting nor am I a fool, either Though the drum is hidden, still will I recover it."

Fire in Churches.

Chief Shaw, speaking of the practical operation of the law for the better protection of audiences in theaters and public halls from fire, remarks that while our churches are exempt from its provisions, as well as from monthly inspection, there is greater danger from fire or panic in many of our houses of worship than there is in most of the licensed places. This is frank and outspoken, though it isn't a new revelation. It is a fair question why church congregations ought not to be protected from the dangers of fire and panic as well as theater audiences.—Boston Herald.

Irving's Effects.

Referring to the recent sale of Irving's effects, the London Mail says: "The proceedings were altogether erratic. Mediocre drawings sold for pounds instead of shillings, excellent paintings for shillings instead of pounds. The relic was prized more highly than the work of art." Sargent's portrait of Ellen Terry sold for one-third of what Irving had been offered for it.

Good Enough.

Jaygreen—I'd like to get a better job for my son.

Kaybrown—What's he doing now?

"He's working for a coal dealer."

"That's good enough. He's sure to make his weigh in the world."—Chicago Daily News.

Tackling a Big Job.

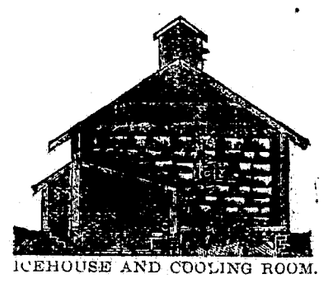
Two missionaries from Afghanistan have arrived in Liverpool. Their intention is to convert England to Islam.

ROAD AND FARM IMPROVEMENT

THE ICEHOUSE.

More Pertinent Discussion of a Most Seasonable Subject—A Good Building.

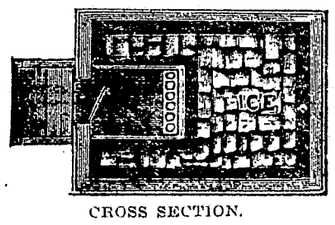
The most essential requirements of an ice-house are: A dry foundation, perfectly sealed against entrance of air. An air-tight ceiling or wall around the ice, so that any dampness that may exist in the wall will be evaporated from the outside, thus by the influence of the evaporation will have a tendency to cool the wall. A well ventilated, but tight roof, with gables open to the air through which a current of air may pass, so the moisture which gathers in the covering of the ice may be evaporated and the covering kept cool and dry. Two feet of covering should be kept on the ice, and this may be hay, fine straw, chaff or saw dust; in fact any porous substance that will not decompose quickly. We have always used hay with good results. This makes a covering that can be quickly removed and replaced, and is easily cleaned off from the ice. One of the principle things to be remembered in keeping ice is to see that there are an infinite number of minute air spaces in the mass of porous dry packing, so as to take off all moisture. The inner wall of the house should be tight so as to exclude air completely. Saw dust best answers the purpose of filling in between the walls.



ICEHOUSE AND COOLING ROOM.

Be sure that the ice is packed in a solid mass. This is secured by sweeping all the fine dust and small pieces of ice into the crevices, making a single solid block of ice, and to further prevent any air space between the cakes, I would have the ice cut in blocks so that the joints are broken, as for instance 16x24 or 12x18 crossing two, thus effectually preventing circulation of air through the mass.

The building should be located on high and dry ground, where the wind will have a chance to strike it from all sides. It should have no shade. The floor should be carefully sealed against the entrance of air. In many instances this is the weakest part of



CROSS SECTION.

an ice-house. It will not be necessary to have any floor if the soil is clayey and air-proof, otherwise a cement floor should be put in. This should have good drainage, by making several channels all conveying to one corner where a perfect air-trap, made like an S laid on its side is placed. Water will always stand in this, thus preventing the entrance of air. After filling, as the weather commences to be warm, go over the ice frequently and see that there are no air holes, which will quickly cut a way through the ice.

In describing a building which can be utilized as an ice-house and cooling chamber combined, the Ohio Farmer says: The dimensions of the building as well as the cooling chamber could be made to suit the requirements of the builder. The building described is 12 ft. wide, 14 ft. long and 12 ft. high, with the chamber 8 ft. long and 6 ft. wide. Fig. 1 shows the chamber with ice on three sides of it. The ceiling is sloping to better support the weight of the ice and secure the necessary drainage. The floor should be of cement and placed about about 3 feet below the surface of the ground so as to take advantage of the coolness of the earth. At C in Fig. 1 a pipe is placed to take the drainage from the ice into a trough in which cooling cans for milk may be set.

Fig. 2 shows a cross section of the building. The door of the chamber is protected by a porch, and should be on the north side of the building. To further protect the chamber, a vestibule might be built at the entrance and two doors fitted. This building, if properly constructed, furnishes a cheap and serviceable storage room for summer use.

A Mistake.

The stockman who allows his young stock to lose from 75 to 150 pounds during the winter has not only lost his feed, but he has lost a part of the last summer's gain. It does not pay to let stock run down.

Farm-Made Manure.

The farm made manure is the best all-round fertilizer the farmer can get. Its mechanical and chemical effects on any soil are quick and certain, and it will last longer than commercial fertilizers.

Old English Law.

There is a law on the statute books of England designed for the protection of the persecuted male sex which no man has ever had the courage to invoke. It was passed during the reign of Queen Elizabeth, when parliament solemnly enacted that "any woman who, from that date would deceive or cajole into matrimony any of the subjects of her majesty, by the use of false hair or any other thing false in connection with her body, or by the use of paints or cosmetics, would be punished as for fraud and deceit, with intent to cause harm."

Another Wireless Record.

Wireless telegraphy broke its own record again when the operators at Colon "overheard" the conversation that took place one evening last month between the stations at Manhattan Beach and Pensacola, the total distance covered in the circuit being more than 2,000 miles. This record is all the more remarkable when it is remembered that the distance covered by the first transatlantic cable was only 1,650 miles.

Honest at Home.

In the southern Caucasus a traveler may still apply for food and shelter in any house and be sure of a welcome and the best available fare. The host takes care personally that nothing is stolen. Yet the same host, when the guest has left his home, may follow and rob him after he has gone a few miles.

Historic Kansan.

Matthew Sawyer, aged 97 years, who died the other day in Atchison county, Kansas, had helped to make the inauguration suit worn by President Andrew Jackson. He hauled corn to Atchison in the early days, receiving ten cents a bushel, and it took an entire load to purchase a pair of boots.

New Zealand Railways.

The state work shops of New Zealand have been working overtime lately, says the Four Track News, building new rolling stock for their railroads on account of the rapid increase of travel. There are few countries more interesting or more scenically wonderful than this South Sea colony.

Gratitude.

"Madam, dat wuz a fine meal," said Weary Wiggins. "I'd like to saw some wood fer youse."

"We burn only gas."

"Den permit me, madam, to turn off de burner fer youse. I must do something to show me appreciation."—Chicago Sun.

Of Scientific Interest.

"Professor, can't you be at my house to-night at eight? My mother-in-law is coming over to fire our cook."

"And why should I be present, my good friend?"

"I want you to see an irresistible force meet an immovable body."

Transforming Vegetables.

Not satisfied with the usual grafting adopted by floriculturists, a Frenchman, M. Molliard, of Paris, has started in to transform vegetables. Already he has succeeded in turning a radish into a potato—according to a recent consular report.

Biting the Dust.

"Pasteurized dirt!" exclaimed the property man. "What the dickens do they want that for?"

"For biting purposes," answered the soubrette. "Our villain is very particular. He won't bite any other kind."

Opium in Australia.

The different states, having agreed to prohibit the sale and growth of opium, the commonwealth government of Australia has prohibited the importation of opium except for medicinal purposes.

Negro Troops.

The Twenty-fourth infantry, now at San Francisco, waiting to take ship for Manila, January 25, is the first negro regiment that has been ordered on foreign service for nearly five years.

Queen's Lofty Garden.

Queen Margherita, of Italy, has an Alpine garden 6,000 feet above sea level, which is said to be not only the highest garden in the world, but the most perfect of its kind.

Tin in Colombia.

Some of the finest tin deposits in the world occur in Colombia. Many of the tin mines are worked by foreign companies.

Growth of Cannon.

Gunboats covered with four inches of iron were shot-proof in 1854. Now the latest cannon shot will penetrate 24 inches of the best steel.

Women Barbers in Austria.

There is a special examination in Austrian cities for female barbers, who are yearly growing more numerous.

Amended.

Knicker—Speech is silver.

Bocker—And silence is oil.—N. Y. Sun.

Makes No One Bigger.

Tall talk never added one cubit to anybody's stature.

Nobles Galore.

Every fifteenth man in Spain is a noble.

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"I suffered habitually from constipation. Doan's Regulets relieved and strengthened the bowels, so that they have been regular ever since."—A. E. Davis, grocer, Sulphur Springs, Tex.

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Mothers everywhere praise One Minute Cough Cure for the sufferings it has relieved and the lives of their little ones it has saved. A certain cure for coughs, croup and whooping cough. Makes breathing easy, cuts out phlegm, and draws out the inflammation. It should be kept on hand for immediate use. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

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Don't frown—look pleasant. If you are suffering from indigestion or sour stomach, take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Hon. Jake Moore, of Atlanta, Ga., says: "I suffered for more than 20 years with indigestion. A friend recommended Kodol. It relieved me in one day and I now enjoy better health than for many years." Kodol digests what you eat, relieves sour stomach, gas on stomach, belching etc. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

Gov. Miguel Otero, of New Mexico, is the most extensive sheep owner in the southwest, owning a flock numbering 65,000.

The best safeguard against head ache, constipation and liver troubles is DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Keep a vial of these famous little pills in the house and take a dose at bed time when you feel that the stomach and bowels need cleansing. They don't gripe. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

The largest islands in the world are Greenland, New Guinea, Borneo, Madagascar, Sumatra, Nipon, Great Britain and Celebes.

Indigestion is much of a habit. Don't get the habit. Take a little Kodol Dyspepsia Cure after eating and you will quit belching, puffing, palpitating and frowning. Kodol Digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

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"Tell her to throw it away," replied the receipt editor.

Feel languid, weak, run-down? Headache? Stomach "off"?—Just a plain case of lazy liver. Burdock Blood Bitters tones liver and stomach, promotes digestion, purifies the blood.

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WEDNESDAY, MAR. 14, 1906.

The Burleigh ring was hurled to earth with such giant force last Monday by the heart sick souls of Augusta that it gave the old Kennebec such a jar as to crack the ice in Moosehead lake.

We are pleased to note the honor that has been bestowed upon another one of Bethel's sons in the person of Hon. D. R. Hastings, who was elected Mayor of Auburn last week. Auburn is one of the several Maine cities which has come out of the republican column and elected a democratic mayor this year. Among the various reasons which have been given for this change in Auburn, not the least real is Mr. Hasting's personal popularity and sound judgment. The citizens of Auburn have long recognized Mr. Hastings as an exceptionally shrewd business man and have called such a man to their executive office.

Hastings has the Field.

Two weeks ago the NEWS announced that H. H. Hastings, Esq., would enter the contest for the senatorship of Oxford county, that he would stand squarely on honest principles against machine politics and take his chances, and we predicted for him a successful contest. We did not think, however, that he would stand alone in the arena at the end of two short weeks, but such is the case. The opposing candidate, Mr. John Reed of Roxbury has withdrawn and it is understood that Mr. Hastings will have no opposition.

Democratic Victories.

These are days of rejoicing throughout the democratic ranks. Every gale which sweeps from the cities of Maine brings to their ears the sound of crowing roosters from democratic yards, and it is with vehemence and astounding faith that they are proclaiming from the house tops, that until they have seated a democratic governor in the executive chair as a rebuke to the Sturgis law and a public demand for licence in place of prohibition, they will never lay down their mega phones, never! never! never!

But they are making a slight mistake, and not so slight either, in charging all of their republican support to the above accounts. While there are doubtless many republicans who are out of sorts with the prohibitory law and the spirit of enforcement, who have been prohibitionists only in name lo these many years, and are glad for an opportune moment to say so and not be heard personally, yet it is not th's class alone that has made this democratic rejoicing possible. Local issues have been a greater factor in many cases than the liquor question, and we believe a heart sick contempt for ring rule is the cause of more di vorce suits among the republicans of Maine during the past few weeks than any other cause.

Let democratic roosters scream for scream they will, and let our republican friends awake to the fact that the people of Maine are hungry for reform; let recent election results forcibly remind us that if it is impossible to break the political rings which are holding the republican party from making needed reform, relief will surely be sought from our opponents, and let us approach the September gale with fear and trembling.

HON. CHARLES E. LITTLEFIELD.

One of the Foremost Statesmen of His Day.

It has been a matter of a great deal of pride to the people of Maine, that almost since the day that Maine was admitted as a state to the present time, she, though one of the smaller states, has been a felt power in the National congress. From Evans and Fessenden to Hale and Littlefield, 1829—1906, Maine has had one or more men in Congress who have been giants among their colleagues. Since 1829 the people of Maine have had the satisfaction of knowing that they have not been represented in Congress by figure heads but by men, one or more, who must be reckoned with when great and important questions are to be decided. Among the nearly 400 men who make up the lower branch of Congress there are but few who are of sufficient importance in their places to attract any marked attention. They are capable of being nothing but followers and are content to follow if they can but bear the name of Representative. Because Congressman Littlefield is a destined leader, a man who does his own thinking, who will fearlessly oppose what he believes to be wrong and champion what in his judgment is right, regardless of political policy or ring dictation, there seems to be a tendency on the part of some of his constituency to criticise his attitude and even suggest possible successors to him.

These suggestions would send a chill over every honest republican in the second district. But for Littlefield, and Maine could not boast of the influence that has been hers since 1829, as far as the lower body is concerned. Take Littlefield from the House of Representatives and you remove the foremost man of today from that body, and the leaders of said body will no longer have to reckon with Maine in the adjustment of great issues. What, remove the most stalwart giant of the giants because he does not always agree with the crowd! Little men can agree; it requires large men to effectually disagree. It may be said of Littlefield what cannot be said of all leaders, he acts on his honest convictions. No one ever could honestly accuse him of acting otherwise. Let us trust him to do his own thinking then, awhile longer, and let not our own petty notions nor the ambitions of lesser lights who aspire to illumine the space in the Hall of Representatives assigned to the second district of Maine lead us for a minute to a willingness to lesson Maine's influence among her sister states by naming a weakling in place of such a man as Hon C. E. Littlefield.

Voices from the Press.

The following is taken from an article which recently appeared in the Washington Post by Savoyard, the famous Washington correspondent.

Littlefield is in his seventh year in the National House of Representatives, and every day of that time he has been the foremost orator of the republican side, and one of its strongest debaters.

Like most American lawyers, Littlefield was a politician and an earnest Republican. He was frequently on the stump, and but for the fact that the seat in Congress was pre empted by Nelson Dingley, Littlefield would have become a member of Congress long before he was 40; but Maine, except when the Greenback party found the State nodding, has the correct conception of the representative system—to send capable men to Congress and keep them there. Thus, Nelson Dingley had a life lease on his seat, and his "fences" at home never gave him the slightest concern. That is one of the things that made him the leader of his party and the author of a great measure.

When Nelson Dingley died all eyes turned to Littlefield as his successor. I say all; but I mean to say, enough eyes turned to him to elect him, and Mr. Littlefield has been a member of the National House of Representatives since the summer of 1899. He naturally attracted attention as the successor of the foremost man in that Congress, whose death was lamented by democrats as well as republicans. Mr. Littlefield also attracted attention by reason of his distinguished appearance and commanding physique. His, too, is the voice and the air of the orator. He sprang into prominence at once and conquered a foremost place, which he has held to this day. He has a magnificent voice, and his fluency is admirable. Not only does he never hesitate for a word, but when it is uttered it is always the very word he would have chosen had he been granted a week to select it.

Mr. Littlefield added greatly to his reputation by his constitutional argument in the case of Brigham H. Roberts. It was when the fifty-sixth Congress was first convened. Roberts, like Littlefield, held the certificate of a sovereign state as a member of the American Congress. He held as much right under the Constitution, to be sworn in as any member as any other individual who held a certificate. But the yellow journals made a terrible row over it and claimed that it would undo all the morals in the country. The women were in arms, a million of them, and the result was that Congress outraged the Constitution at their command. Littlefield refused to do that. He held that Roberts was as much a Congressman elect as any of them; that he should be sworn in, and then, if found unfit for membership, he should be expelled.

The speech of the new member from Maine on that occasion stamped him as an eloquent orator, an able constitutional lawyer, and a fine debater. His name was on everybody's lips for days afterwards, and while he was overthrown in the vote, he was by every one considered victor in the debate.

Mr. Littlefield is a very ready man, and perhaps there is not a collegiate in Congress from New England who has as fine command of language as he, or who can construct a better sentence.

On the tariff question Mr. Littlefield is a standpatter. The tariff was fashioned by his predecessor in Congress and is trimmed to the entire satisfaction of the State of Maine.

When the next tariff discussion is pulled off in the American Congress Littlefield will be a mighty fine man for the Republicans to have standing around.

Congressman Littlefield is strengthening himself by his independent attitude in Congress upon public questions. The representative from the second district of Maine is recognized as one of the strongest men in the House and it is known that he must be reckoned with at every turn. No congressman has within our knowledge gained the influence and the enviable reputation for independence, ability and right thinking and acting that Mr. Littlefield has gained in so short a time as he has been in congress. He is a source of pride to the rank and file of his constituents in the second district.

Maine Woodsman.

"He is sometimes disposed to be independent because he thinks for himself and he cannot submit to mental dictation in matters upon which he has strong convictions. His constituents regard him none the less highly for this characteristic. He is courageous, upright and immovable in his devotion to the underlying principles of Republicanism."

Portland Express.

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Shake into your shoes Allen's Foot Ease a powder. It cures Corns, Bunions, Painful, Smarting, Hot Swollen feet. At all druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample FREE. address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

Small But Powerful.

The average weight of a stationary gas engine, in proportion to its horsepower, is only about one-fourth as great as that of a steam engine.

Any Old Day!

Thousands of patriotic American girls are anxious to have their weddings occur on the same day with Alice Roosevelt's—or any other day.

Flowers Are Curled.

Before chrysanthemums are exhibited at the various shows they are curled and frilled by specialists to make them appear to the best advantage.

Progress in Africa.

Steps are being taken to utilize the 500,000-horse-power of the Victoria falls for industrial purposes, care being taken not to mar the scenery.

The Way of Life.

By the time a wise man is old enough to marry he feels that he isn't young enough.

Hopeless.

We are never old enough to know better until we are so old we can't.—Puck.

The Proper Caper.

High-born Siamese walk with the elbow joint turned inward and the thumbs out.

Proposed Waterville-Augusta Street Railroad.

A party of gentlemen composing the directors of the proposed Augusta, Oakland and Waterville Street railway, and in which were Hon. Amos F. Gerald of Fairfield, Hon. Cyrus W. Davis of Waterville, Edward J. Lawrence and Stephen A. Nye of Fairfield, were in Augusta, Wednesday on business connected with the building of the new road. The object of their visit to Augusta was for the purpose of going over the route of the proposed road in order to get the la, of the land. In answer to the question as to whether or not the road would be constructed during the coming spring, one of the gentlemen replied that he could not state definitely, but said that he hoped so.

H. R. H. PRINCE ARTHUR Will Visit the Principal Cities in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario over Grand Trunk Railway System.

The present indications are that H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught, will arrive in Canada from Japan the beginning of April next, and on arrival on the Pacific Coast will proceed by special train over different western Canadian railways to Edmonton, Winnipeg and Port Arthur, arriving in Ottawa about April 15th. After spending about a week at the capital, the Grand Trunk Railway System will provide a special train for his use to visit the principal cities in Quebec and Ontario, and it is probable that the party will leave Ottawa about April 20th, for Toronto, spending a few days in that city, then proceeding to Niagara Falls, and from Niagara Falls the party will return over the Grand Trunk double-tracked line en route to the Maritime Provinces, returning from there to the cities of Quebec and Montreal.

The train that will be furnished for the Prince and his entourage will be one of the finest and most complete models of elegance that modern methods and ingenuity can produce. The Grand Trunk official car, "Violet," one of the handsomest, most comfortable and complete palaces on wheels, and used by the president of the Grand Trunk on his visits to Canada, will be placed at the disposal of His Royal Highness. The balance of the train will be made up of the latest and most exquisite creations of the Pullman Company, and will be occupied by his suite.

The trip over the Grand Trunk will cover a portion of the only double track system in Canada, and will give the Prince a good idea of the railways in this country, as it is the opinion of practical men that the road bed and general equipment of the Grand Trunk is unexcelled on this continent.

PILGRIM FATHERS' MEETING. Maine Colonies to be Entertained in Auburn.

The members of the several Maine colonies, United Order of the Pilgrim Fathers, a fraternal insurance order, were entertained by the members of Friendship colony of Auburn, Tuesday evening, March 12. Special rates had been named on all railroads and a good number were in attendance

A basket lunch was served at 6.30 o'clock, the members carrying what they wanted for supper while the Auburn colony served coffee and beans. At 8 o'clock the degree of the order was exemplified by the degree team of Friendship colony for the benefit of the visiting members. At this meeting plans were discussed for the annual field day of the members and their friends to be held Labor day at some central point in western Maine.

"Now, 'Little Sunshine,' the heroine of my play," said the dramatist, "is the daughter of an illicit distiller."

"In that case," remarked the coarse manager, "you'd better call her 'Little Moonshine.'"

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BRYANT POND.

Archie Felt is keeping books at Thurston & Cole's spool mill.

Christina Koch preached at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Mrs. Vesta Bessey spent Monday with her aunt, Mrs. Alden Chase.

A large number attended Pomona Grange at West Paris, Tuesday.

Arthur Cushman came home Saturday, returning to Rumford Falls, Monday.

M. M. Hathaway is busy hanging paper; as the season advances the rush begins.

Mrs. Emma Estes, of Portland, is visiting Mrs. Rob Crockett and other friends.

Eva McAllister went Monday, with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hill, to Norway.

C. E. meeting was held at Mrs. Emily Felt's on Thursday evening. It was consecration meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Small, of Dixfield, came here Sunday, to see her mother, Mrs. Abby Dunham, returning Monday.

Mrs. Julia Cole is very sick with pneumonia. Her daughter, Mrs. Etta Tilton, from Massachusetts, came last Monday to help care for her.

Mrs. Ransom Cummings passed away at 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning March 6. She had been in her usual health until a few hours before her death. The bursting of a blood vessel caused her death.

Freeman Wyman, a fruit raiser at South Woodstock, intends this season to build a barn 40 x 50. Alton Bacon will have charge of the work.

A farmer's institute will be held at Grange hall, March 22. Prof. L. R. Jones, of Vermont, and F. S. Coley, of Massachusetts, will aid in the meeting.

Alexander Day is very low from heart failure and other complications. His son, Lewis Day, was called home by telegraph from Medford, Monday.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucus lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation is taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Selectmen—A. J. Blake, S. A. Coffin, J. T. Heath.

Treasurer—M. R. Bennett.

Collector—M. M. Mason.

School Board—J. E. Richardson, A. D. Wight, F. E. Coffin.

Supt.—Albert Bennett.

T. G. Lary was in Berlin, Monday.

Dr. Holt of Berlin was in town Wednesday.

Albert Farwell went to Bethel Wednesday.

There was quite a little snow and blow Friday and Saturday so that the roads had to be broken out.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mrs. Arthur Tyler is at the hospital with her young son, who was operated on for appendicits, Saturday.

Miss Grace Murphy is working for Mrs. Harry Morton.

There was a large attendance at the supper given Saturday evening in G. A. R. hall by the young ladies of the circle of the ladies of the G. A. R. The supper was followed by a musical and literary entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Wheeler were in Auburn, Saturday.

Mrs. A. D. Park visited in East Sumner a few days last week.

Miss Josephine Waldron, who has been visiting in Buckfield, has returned home.

Mrs. T. S. Barnes is in Portland.

Rev. E. W. Pierce conducted religious services at the jail, Sunday.

Miss Muriel Bowker gave a birthday party last Friday afternoon to twelve of her young friends. It was the occasion of her seventh birthday. Refreshments were served and the hostess received many gifts.

The Seneca club was entertained, Monday evening by Mrs. H. A. Hilton, Miss Iva McArdle and Miss Maud Douglass.

H. H. Stuart, principal of Brownville High School, and Mrs. Stuart are at J. H. Stuart's on a short vacation.

Louis B. Pierce of Clinton, is at home on a short vacation.

The Fan Tan club was entertained, Tuesday evening at Highland Cottage. A March Hare party was indulged in.

The ladies of the Baptist society will give a supper at the vestry, Wednesday, March 21. Following the supper Rev. H. A. Clifford will deliver a lecture on "A Ramble in Europe" with photos and curios.

A food sale, under the auspices of the W. C. T.U., will be held at Farrar's store Friday afternoon, March 16, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Grinfill Stuart went to Boston, Monday for a visit.

George B. Crockett of the Paris Manufacturing Co., started on a trip through the south, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hall of Kansas City, who were on their way to Europe visited Mr. Hall's parents Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hall, last week. They left here Tuesday and sailed from New York on the White Star liner Republic. They will remain abroad until June.

The village assessors have engaged Charles Bennett as regular night policeman, and he went on duty Saturday night.

Mrs. H. N. Bolster slipped on the ice and sprained her wrist, Friday.

The usual court temperance meeting was held at the court house on Wednesday evening; Hon. A. E. Herrick, of Bethel, presided.

The other day in London half a million bottles of wine, the stock of a dead wine merchant, were sold by auction. Three thousand bottles were consumed in preliminary tasting operations.

NEWRY.

About 75 partook of the pie supper at Kilgore's hall last Saturday evening. After the supper was a drama which everyone seemed to enjoy. The sum of $14 was realized from the entertainment.

Leon Allen and wife from Waterford, visited at J. S. Allen's last week.

Charles Douglass and wife of Bethel, visited at his son's, Sunday.

Miss Lillian Bean has returned to her home on Sunday River.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Feburary, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in THE BETHEL NEWS, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of March A. D., 1906, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

JOHN F. D FARBORN late of Woodstock, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Stanley B. Dearborn, the executor therein named

ELLEN E. D. PEASLEE, late of Upton, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Silas F. Peaslee, administrator

WILLIAM B. RUSSELL late of Hanover deceased; first account presented for allowance by Frank E. Russell and Maria E. Twitchell, administrators.

IRENE NEEDHAM of Bethel, ward; first account presented for allowance by Charles G. Needham, guardian.

VERNE OTTIGNON of Bethel; petition for change of name to Wallace D. Newell, presented by said Verne Ottignon.

DAVID O. GLEASON late of Mexico, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Herbert O. Gleason and Enna L. Park, the executors therein named.

HORATIO R. GODWIN late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Ellery C. Park executor therein named.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates herein aftcrnamed:

At a Probate Court at Paris in vacation in and for the County of Oxford on the 27th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel NEWS newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D 1906 at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ISAAC W. SHAW, late of Buckfield, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Ada M. Shaw the executrix therein named.

PETER N. HASKELL late of Waterford, deceased; petition for order of distribution of balance remaining in his hands presented by Joseph B. Haskell, executor.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

3w41 A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

JOHN W. SANBORN, late of Bethel,

in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

3w41 Feb 20, 1906. Calvin L. Sanborn

Statement United States Branch Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool, Eng.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered,	$2,583,564 88
Loans on Bond and Mortgage (first liens),	320,000 00
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, Market Value,	4,194,799 88
Cash in Company's principal office and in Bank,	430,914 20
Interest due and accured,	49,245 98
Premiums in due course of collection,	821,691 76
Other property,	29,714 38
Aggregate of all the admitted assets of the Company at their actual value,	$8,429,931 68

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net amount of Unpaid Losses, and Claims,	$ 313,171 98
Amount required to safely re-insure all outstanding risks,	4,727,869 45
All other demands against the Company viz: commissions, etc.	413,387 97
Total amount of liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus,	$5,454,431 35
Surplus beyond capital,	2,975,500 33
Aggregate amount of liabilities, including net surplus,	$8,492,931 68

Field & Cowles, Mangers, Boston, Mass.
FREELAND HOWE, Agent,
3w41 H Norway Agency

Northern Assurance Co. of London, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 165,600 00
Stocks and Bonds,	3,118,544 50
Cash in Office and Bank,	170,296 99
Agents' Balances,	420,843 16
Bills Receivable,	30,702 50
Interest and Rents,	8,674 72
Gross Assets,	$3,923,058 93
Deduct items not admitted,	108,087 35
Admitted Assets,	$3,814,971 58

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses;	$ 207,968 68
Unearned Premiums,	2,194,822 36
All other Liabilities,	39,431 45
Statutory Deposit,	200,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,172,750 09
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$3,814,971 58

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Fire Association of Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real estate,	$ 419,100 00
Mortgage loans,	1,452,128 99
Collateral loans,	159,800 00
Stocks and bonds,	4,122,178 87
Cash in office and bank,	259,026 24
Agents' balances,	534,833 93
Interest and rents,	65,731 20
All other assets,	2,862 53
Gross Assets,	7,015,661 76
Deduct items not admitted,	12,400 00
Admitted assets,	7,003,261 76

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net unpaid losses,	$ 278,685 39
Unearned premiums,	4,684,373 43
Cash capital,	500,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities,	1,540,202 94
Total liabilities and surplus,	$7,003,261 76

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United States Casualty Company,

141 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 5,000 00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,672,512 50
Cash in Office and Bank,	103,520 23
Bills Receivable,	1,029 47
Interest and Rents,	16,719 85
All other Assets,	123,401 70
Gross Assets,	$ 1,922,183 75
Deduct items not admitted,	1,029 47
Admitted Assets,	$1,921 154 28

Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 213,190 09
Unearned Premiums,	551,533 52
All other Liabilites and Contingency Fund,	156,430 67
Cash Capital,	300,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	700,000 00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,921,154 28

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The Metropolitan Plate Glass and Casualty Ins. Co. of New York.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Stocks and Bonds,	$545,880 00
Cash in Office and Bank,	47,146 69
Interest and Rents,	4,410 80
All other Assets,	81,925 68
Gross Assets,	$679,363 17
Deduct items not admitted	1,286 62
Admitted Assets,	678,076 55

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 12,307 90
Unearned Premiums,	245,670 28
All other Liabilities,	29,208 82
Cash Capital,	200,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	190,889 55
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$678,076 55

L. H. VEILLEAUX, Agent,
G 41 Rumford Falls, Maine.

General Accident Insurance Company Philadelphia, Pa.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans,	$ 4,000 00
Stocks and Bonds,	296,805 45
Cash in Office and Bank,	12,940 46
Agents' Balances,	7,985 07
Interest and Rents,	3,748 22
Gross Assets,	$325,479 20
Deduct items not admitted,	9,898 00
Admitted Assets,	$315,581 20

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 22,605 50
Unearned Premiums,	56,122 78
All other Liabilities,	70,748 15
Cash Capital,	100,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	66,104 77
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$315,581 20

G. L. CURTIS, Agent,
G 41 Norway, Maine.

British America Assurance Company, Toronto, Canada.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Stocks and Bonds,	$1,241,816 46
Cash in Office and Bank,	118,370 67
Agents' Balances,	200,717 83
Interest and Rents	12,638 94
Gross Assets,	$1,573,543 90
Deduct items not admitted,	30,594 80
Admitted Assets,	$1,542,949 10

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 82,508 69
Unearned Premiums,	958,513 70
Surplus over all Liabilities,	501,926 71
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,542,949 10

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The Continental Insurance Company of New York.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 1,150,000 00
Mortgage Loans,	16,350 00
Stocks and Bonds,	13,099,465 00
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,118,043 52
Agents' Balances,	911,324 15
Bills Receivable,	9,869 06
Interest and Rents,	93,718 54
Gross Assets,	$16,398,770 87
Deduct items not admitted,	14,269 04
Admitted Assets	$16,384,501 83

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 328,209 17
Unearned Premiums,	6,157,738 23
All other Liabilities,	474,329 30
Cash Capital,	1,000,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	8,424,225 13
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$16,384,501 83

FREELAND HOWE,
H 41 Norway, Maine.

If Mothers Only Knew!

Nine times out of ten when children are out of sorts a few doses of Dr. True's Elixir will make them well, strong and happy. If worms are present they will be expelled. If there are no worms True's Elixir acts as a gentle tonic laxative. It cleans out the stomach and bowels, and turns the scale in favor of health by aiding and strengthening the digestion. Unsuspected Worms cause so much illness in children that it is a custom in many families to give

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at regular intervals to guard against them. Some of the symptoms of worms are languid looks, indigestion with variable appetite, malaria, irritable disposition and restless sleep. If your children show any of these signs do not risk delay but give them the remedy that has given relief for over 50 years. It is purely vegetable and harmless in any condition of child or adult.

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Fifty acres, situated at West Bethel, well divided as to wood, pasture and tillage. Buildings in good repair. Running water in house and barn. Price right. Inquire of

36 C. L. ABBOTT, JR.,
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WANTED: By Chicago wholesale and mail order house, assistant manager (man or woman) for this county and adjoining territory. Salary $20 and expenses paid weekly; expense money advanced. Work pleasant; position permanent. No investment or experience required. Write at once for full particulars and enclose self-addressed envelope.

10w29 COOPER & CO.,
132 Lake Street, Chicago, Ill.

U. S. Branch, Sun Insurance Office of London, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 290,637 79
Mortgage Loans,	50,000 00
Stocks and Bonds,	2,291,981 25
Cash in Office and Bank,	207,062 54
Agents' Balances,	341,795 41
Interest and Rents,	28,008 86
Gross Assets,	$3,210,385 85

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 189,489 52
Unearned Premiums,	2,038,962 15
All other Liabilities,	11,844 40
Surplus over all Liabilities,	898,872 30
Total liabilities and surplus,	$3,139,168 37

FREELAND HOWE, Agent,
G. 41 Norway, Maine.

American Fire Insurance Company, PHILADELPHIA, PENNA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 323,835 49
Mortgage Loans,	649,275 55
Stocks and Bonds,	1,631,115 00
Cash in Office and Bank,	136 409 70
Agents' Balances,	242,982 32
Interest and Rents,	13,365 47
All other Assets,	19,227 00
Gross Assets,	$3,016,210 53
Deduct items not admitted,	44,479 45
Admitted Assets,	$2,971,731 08

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 163,945 08
Unearned Premiums,	2,011,169 96
All other Liabilities,	30,000 00
Cash Capital,	500,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities	266,616 04
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	2,971,731 08

LOUIS H. VEILLEUX, Agent
41 G Rumford Falls, Maine.

General Accident Assurance Corporation, Ltd, Great Britain.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	$ 98,745 87
Stocks and Bonds,	539,693 23
Cash in Office and Bank,	27,454 50
Agents' Balances,	88,666 59
Interest and Rents,	4,033 97
All other Assets,	39,295 70
Gross Assets,	$797,889 86
Deduct items not admitted,	42,115 55
Admitted Assets,	$ 755,774 31

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$104,094 44
Unearned Premiums,	225,231 81
All other Liabilities,	22,859 44
Cash Deposit in U. S.	250,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities,	153,588 62
Total liabilities and surplus,	755,774 31

MISS EDNA LORD, Agent,
G 41 Rumford Falls, Maine.

Assurance Company of America, New York, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Stocks and Bonds,	$961,655 50
Cash in Office and Bank,	44,173 35
Agents' Balances,	36,445 50
Interest and Rents,	4,448 51
Gross Assets,	$1,066 722 51
Deduct items not admitted.	43,207 87
Admitted Assets,	$1,023,514 64

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net unpaid Losses,	$ 43,821 00
Unearned Premiums,	334,706 43
All other Liabilities,	15,898 82
Cash Capital,	400,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	228,988 39
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,023,514 64

L. H. VEILLEUX, Agent,
42 G Rumford Falls, Maine.

Federal Insurance Company, Jersey City, N. J.

42 G Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans,	$ 30,000 00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,486,505 57
Cash in Office and Bank,	450,366 60
Agents' Balances,	267,206 60
Interest and Rents,	21,465 01
Gross Assets,	$2,255,033 78
Deduct items not admitted,	55,553 10
Admitted Assets,	$2,200,080 68

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net unpaid Losses	$ 237,020 56
Unearned Premiums,	349,166 46
Special Contingent Reserve,	175,000 00
All other Liabilities,	81,305 97
Cash Capital,	500,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	856,684 69
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	2,200,080 68

ARTHUR L. LUCE, Agent,
Rumford Falls, Maine.

Williamsburgh City Fire Ins. Co., Brooklyn, New York, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate	$ 672,929 76
Mortgage Loans,	227,100 00
Collateral Loans,	44,250 00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,171,833 59
Cash in Office and Bank,	301,902 08
Agents' Balances,	158,106 97
Interest and Rents,	24,198 76
All other Assets,	41,571 41
Gross Assets,	$2,851,892 57
Deduct items not admitted,	623 20
Admitted Assets,	$2,851,209 37

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 10,333 69
Unearned Premiums,	1,034,604 43
All other Liabilities,	34,178 22
Cash Capital,	250,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,492,093 03
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$2,851,209 37

W. J. WHEELER & Co., Agents,
42 G South Paris, Me.

BERLIN IS MACHINE MADE.

English Writer Calls It Stiff, Rigid, Rectilinear and Only a Village.

Was Berlin made last year—or the year before? It is impossible to say from looking at it. Some of the trees in the streets look at least ten years old, but they must have been planted long before the city was thought of—the houses and the streets and the lamp-posts and the statues are all much too neat and new to have endured the rains of more than one winter. It is all, in fact, quite too new to be comfortable. One feels afraid to sleep in any of the houses lest rheumatism should be lying in wait in rooms where the plaster has not had time to harden.

I drove from the station in a "droshki" with a monstrously old horse. Time had bent his forelegs into a very good imitation of a switchback railway—and as we plodded solemnly along the brand-new asphalt roadway, with the brand-new houses on either side and an occasional brand-new electric car, with a brand-new driver in a brand-new uniform, I found myself wondering what that old horse must think of it all. One day he may have been grazing in an open field—and when he passed that way a week or so later he found a new broad boulevard, with hotels and shops and churches and great blocks of flats, all sprung up like mushrooms.

Berlin, then, is a great deal too perfect to be satisfactory. It is the machine-made, not the hand-made article—it was very decidedly made, not born. There is no spontaneity in it, no life; compared to, say, London; it is like a beautiful marble statue to a living woman.

Berlin is, in fact, an awful object lesson to emperors and others who try to make a capital city out of a respectable village. It is easy to put up imposing buildings—if you have the money—and to cut out broad tree-lined roads and have everything neat and nice and fine—but you only make your village bigger and finer without making it any the more a capital city. There is no getting away from the feeling that Berlin is a village—a big village—a beautiful, rectilinear, new-out-of-the-bandbox village, but a village, all the same.

POWER FROM NIAGARA.

Sixty Per Cent. of Gross Energy Available for Electric Current.

Always room for one more power plant at Niagara. The latest looks to the lower Niagara river, which falls 80 feet in a length of two and a half miles, with the whirlpool nearly at the center of this length. This is about half the descent of the great cataract above and is made by the entire volume of water that passes over both the American and Horseshoe falls. Alton D. Adams calculates that the unused power of these rapids just above and below the whirlpool could develop half as much power as could be developed by diverting the entire flow of Niagara river at the falls. If the American falls are to be saved further concessions must be limited to the gorge and lower rapids. His idea is to build pipe lines between the upper and lower points on the rapids. Niagara river has a normal discharge of 222,000 cubic feet of water a second, and this water falling 80 feet develops 2,000,000 gross horsepower. Making due allowance for losses in the pipe line, water wheels, tailrace and generators, it may fairly be said that 60 per cent. of the gross energy could be delivered as electric current if the entire discharge of the river were utilized. This net power is twice as great as that of all the electric plants now completed and under construction at Niagara falls.

Ancient Skeletons.

An interesting archaeological discovery was recently made at Leagrave, near Luton, England, by the unearthing of two skeletons, estimated to be quite 2,000 years old. Beside the bones were also found a quantity of bronze ornaments. The skeletons are believed to be the remains of two females, dating back to the late Celtic times, since the mode of burial was typical of that period. Both bodies, says the Scientific American, were in a double-up position with head to the west. Some of the bones were in a remarkably good state of preservation, especially the skull and teeth, although much discolored by contact with the earth. The bodies were found 15 feet apart.

Boston Man's Bull.

Ex-President Soule, of the Massachusetts senate, is very fond of telling a story about a young Irish member of the senate from East Boston, who, during a debate in that body on the East Boston grade crossing question, took the floor and argued very energetically in favor of abolishing the crossing. The senator was more ready with his utterances than with a proper construction of sentences. In the height of his argument he exclaimed:

"Why, Mr. President, there are people now living in East Boston who have been killed over and over again on that crossing."

Reason Enough.

Tottie—I don't see why you are going to marry Jack. You're not in love with him.

Dottie—No, but another girl is.—Baltimore American.

Air Laden with Alcohol Vapor.

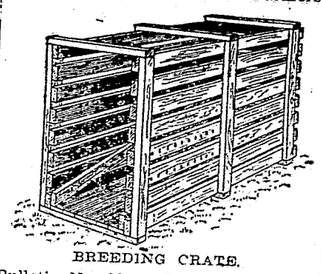
The wine cellars of Spain are filled with alcohol vapor, as much as half an ounce of absolute alcohol being found in six cubic feet of air.

LIVE STOCK

BREEDING CRATE.

Directions Given by Government Publication for Construction of Good One.

Several requests have been made for description of a breeding crate for swine. The illustration and description are taken from Farmers'



BREEDING CRATE.

Bulletin No. 205. The best size is 6 ft. long, 2 ft. 4 in. wide, and 2½ ft. high. It is made of 2x4 inch scantling, closed in front, open behind. On each side nail a 2x4 strip reaching from the bottom at the rear end to a point about 14 or 16 inches from the top at front end, for the boar to rest his feet on. The holes in the side cleats are for an iron rod to run through just behind the sow's hock joints. The cut shows bottom boards put in lengthwise. If put in crosswise the board will not slip so much; light slats nailed crosswise will answer the purpose.

FEEDING OF DAIRY COWS.

Two Mistakes Which Are Commonly Made and Which Cut Off the Profits.

There are two common mistakes made in feeding cows; first, not feeding liberally enough; second, feeding a ration not properly balanced, says C. H. Eckler, of Missouri, in the Prairie Farmer. It has been found by experiments that about 60 per cent. of what a cow can eat is necessary to merely maintain her without producing any milk or gaining in weight. This being true, it is evident that it is not economy to feed only a little more than this 60 per cent. needed to keep up the cow's body.

Below are given balanced rations that will furnish the materials necessary to produce milk in about the right proportion. By the term "rations" is meant the feed for 24 hours. If a cow will not give a good flow of milk in the early part of the milking period, when fed a liberal amount of one of these rations, it indicates that she is not adapted by nature to be a dairy animal and she should be disposed of. The amounts given are considered about right for a cow giving from 20 to 25 pounds of milk per day. For heavy milkers these rations are to be increased, and reduced for lighter milkers. In making up these rations, it is designed that the cow be given practically all of the roughness she will eat and then sufficient grain is added to furnish the necessary amount of digestible material.

1. Clover hay, 20 pounds; bran, 5 pounds; corn, 6 to 8 pounds.
2. Clover hay, 20 pounds; oats, 4 to 5 pounds; corn, 6 to 8 pounds.
3. Clover hay, 20 pounds; corn and cob meal, 8 to 10 pounds; gluten or cottonseed meal, 2 pounds.
4. Alfalfa or cowpea hay, 15 to 20 pounds; corn, 9 to 12 pounds.
5. Alfalfa or cowpea hay, 10 pounds; corn stover, 10 pounds; corn, 8 to 10 pounds; and bran, 2 pounds.

THE STOCK.

The estimate of the value of dairy products for 1905 reaches $665,000,000.

When an animal gets in trouble from indigestion give it oil at once.

It isn't a good plan to have the dirt from the bottom of the mows sift down upon the backs of the stock.

The free use of straw for bedding increases the manure pile and saves much fertility which would otherwise be lost.

Lumping off sheep and lambs is about like telling a man to go in and help himself. Market men do not say that to you; why should they expect you to deal in that way with them?

Think how the first cold days of winter make us hurry into our overcoats; then do the fair thing with the stock. They can't help themselves, so we must keep them all snugly under cover.

Fill up a cow with ice-cold water, and allow her to stand in the winter winds for an hour afterward, and you will be surprised to find how quickly she will respond to the treatment by taking it out of the milk pail.—Farm Journal.

Somewhat Swift.

A ray of light, it is said, could move eight times around the globe between the ticks of a watch.

Popularity of Diaz.

Out of 1,548,654 votes polled in the recent election in Mexico only 92,172 were against Diaz.

Theories Don't Count.

The woman that raises children to respect her does it without any theories.—N. Y. Press.

Coal for Coke.

Coke calls for 40,000,000 tons of coal this year.

COUNTRY LIFE IN A FLAT.

The Odd Scheme of a City Dweller Who Longs for an Outdoor Life.

A bachelor in upper New York leased an entire floor in an apartment house before it was completed with the understanding that he was to have it furnished and furnish it according to his own fancy. He is fond of rural life, says the Sun, but his business does not permit him to live out of town. In order to have his surroundings harmonize with his notions he has had his quarters arranged this way:

His reception-room is of unfinished timber, resembling hewed logs. The ceiling shows the rafters. The electric bulbs are inclosed in perforated tin resembling the old-fashioned tin lantern.

Beyond is the tepee, utilized as a smoking-room. It is separated from the sleeping apartment by cedar poles in the rough, constructed to resemble a rail fence. The tepee is arranged like a tent. A big iron kettle is suspended from a crane in the center. This is the ash receiver. The floor is covered with animal rugs. A collection of bows and arrows and tomahawks, horns, scalping knives and imitation scalps completes the scheme.

In the room next fowling pieces, guns, rifles, pikes, fish nets and spurs are in evidence. A big, rough board holds flasks of various sizes, glasses, tumblers and cups. The flasks contain any brand which the thirsty visitor may desire. A coon skin is tacked over the bar and benches take the place of chairs.

A fence divides the "trough" from the next room, which is arranged to represent the back yard of a country home, with a dog kennel near the gate and a well box, with a sweep. On one corner stands the bucket, and a dipper and an old gourd hang on the box. The picture is realistic, but the windlass is never turned.

Back of this is the end of a barn The door is painted red. In an open square near by is the painted head of a horse, looking out as naturally as if it was about to whinny for its oats.

A loose plank walk leads from the barn to the bathroom, which is concealed from view by what looks like a high board fence. Its equipments are about the only modern equipments on the entire floor.

The Only Survivor

of the Hayes Arctic Expedition, Mr. S. J. McCormick, now U. S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho, says: "For years I have suffered from severe pains in the hip joint and back bone, depriving me of all power. The cause was stone in the Bladder and Gravel in the Kidneys. After using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., I was completely cured."

A New York firm hung this sign at the entrance of a large building: "Wanted: Sixty girls to sew on buttons on the sixth floor."

The following sign is said to hang in the store window of a fashionable ladies' tailor in Boston: "As the principal fitter desires to try on his own garments personally customers are requested not to call between the hours of one and two."

A Scientific Wonder.

The cures that stand to its credit make Bucklin's Arnica Salve a scientific wonder. It cured E. R. Mulford, lecturer for the Patrons of Husbandry, Wayne boro, Pa., of a distressing case of Piles. It heals the Worst Burns, Sores, Boils, Ulcers, Cuts, Wounds, Chilblains and Salt Rheum. Only 25 cents at All Druggists.

Used to Knocks.

"At any rate," remarked the patriotic citizen, "when a cadet out of the American naval academy he can't be beaten."

"I don't doubt it," chuckled the man with the mustard whiskers. "He is beaten so much while he is in there I guess he is hardened enough to stand anything."—Chicago News.

A Brief Tragedy.

The knock of the postman—
It gives you a thrill.
You look for a check
And he hands you a bill.
—Washington Star.

FAIR WARNING.

Mr. Grumpy—Can you whistle?
Applicant—Sure! I kin whistle 'Under de Shade of de Old Apple Tree.'"
Mr. Grumpy—All right, you may do so as much as you like, but if you whistle under this roof you'll be fired."—Chicago News.

TO THE SPELL OF DRESS.

Tribute Paid by Famous Writers and Philosophers to Fashion.

Jane Austen wrote to her sister in 1814: "I have determined to trim my lilac sarsenet with black satin ribbon, just as my China crape is, sixpenny width at the bottom, threepenny or fourpenny at top. Ribbon trimmings are all the fashion at Bath. With this addition it will be a very useful gown, happy to go anywhere."

Emerson quotes, "with admiring submission," the experience of the lady who declared that "the sense of being perfectly well-dressed gives a feeling of inward tranquillity which religion is powerless to bestow."

So the clever woman and the philosopher, says Youth's Companion, pay their tribute to the spell of dress. Any woman who has qualms of conscience at the amount of time and thought she must give to her clothes may gather cheer from the innocent pleasure so genuine a nature as Miss Austen's found in the simple task of making a gown "happy to go anywhere." The woman who has compassed the art of making that kind of a gown has done herself a large service and the world no small one. We should have "admired" to see Miss Austen attired in the lilac sarsenet with the black satin ribbon. We may be sure that not only was the gown happy to go anywhere, but that the wearer was happy in it, and that the company was happy to have her.

A gentle word, a charitable act, a difficult sacrifice are each more easy in a well-fitting and becoming dress. Perhaps it may be a sign of our servitude to earth that this should be so; but while we live here we are bound to look facts in the face, and cherish the ideal of the "happy" gown.

BILLY KEPT THE LID ON.

But the Bosom of His Trousers Suffered for His Truly Heroic Act.

Miss Kathryn Finney is not only an accomplished and efficient schoolmarm of West Grove, teaching the young idea at Cedar Bluff how to shoot jack rabbits, pigeons and other brilliant flashes of silvery fowl on golden wing, but, what is a more rare virtue, says the Mount Morris (Ia.) Index, she is just as willing and efficient in the kitchen, where she assists her good but frail and slender mother with the housework in all her spare moments. The other day, like a dutiful daughter, she made a glorious batch of bread, and as she is an energetic young woman, the dough must have taken after her—in fact, it rose until it covered the table, and for fear it would run her out of the house, Miss Finney hastily placed it in the oven. But alas, like the woes of Tantalus, who died of thirst amid a sea of waves, this only made matters worse. For that yeasty bread continued to rise, while Miss Kitty held up her hands in despair. But not so Billy, the noble Billy. Miss Kitty's father, who, fearing the top of the stove would fly through the ceiling, in a moment of forgetfulness sat down on it. Now, don't talk of Hannibal looking down on the plains of Italy, or Pompei dividing the world with Caesar. Here was far greater heroism. And lest the profane might laugh at the patch in Billy's trousers, I hasten to assure the public that the woes of a truthful correspondent are beyond the power of language to express.

JUVENILE CRIME IN ITALY.

Eighty Per Cent. of Child Malefactors Manufactured by Bad Environment.

Consul Brittain, of Kehl, Germany, furnishes some startling statistics on juvenile crime in Italy, taken from an article recently published and written by Lino Ferriani. He says that 80 per cent. of the child criminals of Italy are manufactured by bad environment and inadequate education—in other words, by preventable causes; that 30 per cent. of the criminals of the country are minors, and of these 25 per cent. are thieves.

Prof. Ferriani protests against sentimental description, but pleads for scientific investigation. He himself has closely studied 500 boy prisoners between the ages of 11 and 14, and reports that more than half of them came from the most wretched homes, and over 200 of them had criminal parents. Very few had ever done any work, all were sexually corrupt, nearly all smoked, and many had a taste for alcohol.

As proof of how little good is effected by mere instruction apart from moral training he asserts that the best scholars were among the worst offenders. As an alternative to prison the author proposes agricultural colonies in districts where the air is bracing, with good food and outdoor work, kindly discipline and the supervision of an experienced physician.

No Alarm in the Sanctum.

Oklahoma and Indian Territory are being flooded with spurious one, five and ten dollar bills and fifty-cent and one dollar coins. This notice is given in order that people who handle any money may be on the lookout. We're immune.—Wecleetka (I. T.) American.

Deaf and Dumb Talkers.

A deaf and dumb person who is fairly expert at finger language can speak about 43 words a minute. In the same space of time a person in possession of his speech will probably speak 150 words.

REACH THE SPOT.

To cure an aching back,
The pains of rheumatism,
The tired-out feelings,
You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.

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"Women dress to please the men."

"Yes? Did you ever see the look of pleasure on a man's face when he gets the bill for his wife's dry goods?"—Houston Post.

Matter of Hearsay.

He (quoting)—Man proposes, and—

She (interrupting)—So I have heard, but I've never had satisfactory proof of the assertion.—Chicago News.

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Make This a Day.

Make this a day. There is no gain
In brooding over days to come;
The message of to-day is plain,
The future's lips are ever dumb.
The work of yesterday is gone—
For good or ill, let come what may;
But now we face another dawn.
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The urging hand and earnest face
That men call opportunity,
We failed to know the time or place
For some great deed, what need to fret?
The dawn comes up a silver gray,
The golden moments must be met,
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This day is yours; your work is yours;
The odds are not who pays your hire,
The thing accomplished—that endures,
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He who takes up his daily round,
As one new armored for the fray,
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Dignity of Labor.

We believe the friends of this department, and if we feel the pulse of our readers correctly, that means all our subscribers, will read with relish a few thoughts on woman's work and compensation for the same.

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Pleasant Evening Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

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Honest poverty should be respected and not scorned. It was in the homes of the lowly that we oftenest find Christ when upon the earth, and in our day it can be truthfully said that we meet Him there oftener than elsewhere.

Work is a moral and physical uplifter, it is a panacea for sorrow; idleness brings moral decay and furnishes an incentive to crime. The avalanche of crime that is sweeping over our beautiful land is largely due to the fact that too many would rather steal than work. The life or duty, not the life of mere ease of mere pleasure, is the kind of life which makes the great men and women. The best prize that offers is the chance to work at work worth doing.

Lincoln's Kentucky Birthplace.

One hundred years ago this month of March, Thomas Lincoln, of Virginian birth, laid claim to a little farm in the center of which was a noted spring, sheltered from the summer suns by a shelving rock. The waters of that spring, even in that early time, were famous throughout Hardin county, in which it was located, as now it is famous throughout central Kentucky. Near this picturesque natural spring this strong, young Virginian, a carpenter by trade, built a log cabin to which, on the following 10th of June, he brought his bride, Nancy Hanks; and in that little cabin, three years later, the Lincoln family gave welcome to the child whose name was to belong to the ages. On this farm the boy Abraham used to play with his sister and the boys of his neighborhood. In this little cabin Lincoln received his first schooling in the primary three R's from his mother, who taught him what she could in the long evenings by the light from spice-wood twigs packed together upon a log.

It was during the nine years spent upon this farm that Lincoln enjoyed all the real boyhood he ever had. Through the life there, as in Indiana and Illinois, as he later said, was described by the single sentence in Gray's Elegy, "The short and simple annals of the poor," his real playtime was on the rock-spring farm. Here he was a natural boy, hunting coons and partridges, victimizing his playfellows with practical jokes, always accompaning his father with grist to the mill, for the sake of an outing, and for the same reason he pursued the stone-wagons and the help which his father used to general into service along the old picturesque Louisville and Nashville pike, of which the good father was supervisor.—Review of Reviews for March.

Makes Her Cheerful.

I know a young woman who always wears a bit of pink or red. She says it makes her cheerful.

A coral necklace is one of her chief joys. "The moment I put it on," she declares, "I feel gay and cheerful."

It is a pleasant theory to work on, and if we could all chase away our doldrums with a rap of red ribbon we would go about looking like perennial rose gardens, says the Philadelphia Press.

But whether or no we believe in the psychology of red, we can practice cheerfulness. There is no sense in bowing our heads before each trouble as though an avalanche were descending upon us. Life is not long, do not let us waste it in moping and grumbling.

The whole secret lies in trying to make the best of things. Do not let us give way before the little troubles; save your strength to fight the big ones. Begin each day with a smile. A frown is bad enough at any time but it is doubly depressing early in the morning.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

The Modesty of Railroads.

The railroads and the shippers can't keep Baker quiet. He is too sure of his facts to fear giving them expression, and the railroads and shippers are moving their commercial heaven and earth to counteract the effect of the truth. Even J. Odgen Armour appeared in print the other day with a long article about the private car; an article which didn't answer one of Mr. Baker's charges; merely told instead, the advantages—without dwelling on the disadvantages—of the private car business as conducted by himself. Mr. Baker, too, has told the advantages, fairly and honestly, but they don't size up very well with the disadvantages. But this article of Mr. Armour's is open and above board even though it may mislead a great many readers. The railroads and shippers have other and more devious methods of moulding public opinion, and Mr. Baker devotes his article in the March McClure's to his phase of the situation. He has gone carefully into the subject—he discloses a complicated, insidious machine that distributes favorable reports of the railroads in one form or another throughout the country. Mr. Baker shows by actual figures, how the position of the press has been totally changed in several states by this firm of publicity makers. Where the result can't be accomplished thus diplomatically, Mr. Baker tells you, there are other methods. But this isn't all. Facing business disaster through the railroad's subserviency to the Armour monopolies, many of the smaller shippers have banded together to fight for fair play. The way the big men have held these little fellows up and have spent fortunes to keep them from winning the sympathy of the fair minded, reminds one of the mediaeval despotism. In many ways this is the most remarkable article of exposure Mr. Baker has given us.

CAN'T ACT AS AGENTS.
Laws Are Very Strict About Rural Delivery Carriers.

The postmaster general recently re-affirmed his position with respect to rural free delivery carriers that they cannot be used as the medium for taking subscriptions for newspapers. At one time they were allowed to do so but a recent act of Congress prohibited rural carriers from soliciting business or receiving orders of any kind for any person, firm or corporation, or from carrying merchandise for hire during their hours of employment. According to an official statement recently given out, however, rural carriers are not prohibited from carrying outside of the mails, unmailable matter on the request and the expense of patrons on their routes.

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For Increased Wages.

The station agents of the Boston and Maine railroad have formed an organization. Their object is to request the railroad company to increase their wages. They claim there are nearly 2,000 agents on the Boston and Maine who have not had their salaries increased, while every other branch of the railroad employes has received several raises.

Another Sea Monster.

A sea monster washed ashore at Lord's Beach, Wells, last Friday, attracted much attention. It was discovered by Edward Littlefield. It measured 16½ feet long and weighed 2,210 pounds. It is quite black in color and some old fishermen say it is a dolphin. Considerable difficulty was experienced in loading it, but it was finally hauled to the barn on the Lord estate, where it has been viewed by a large number of people.

Is Your Stomach Disordered?

If it is, indigestion naturally ensues; the kidneys become clogged with impurities that impair or stop their secretory functions; the blood is vitiated and actually poisons the whole being. Let this go on to its natural ending and the sure result is—death. The one medicine that will arrest this fatal progress is

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AN OPEN-AIR PHILOSOPHER
Enunciates His Peculiar Views on That Martyr to Humanity, the Doctor.

The village oracle, old Lim Jucklin exploiting his ideas on divers and sundry topics in Opie Read's latest books, says: "Every man that gets money without stealing it earns it, I reckon, but I don't know of anybody that comes nearer earning it twice over than the doctor. He has to put forth all the skill he has and then must lie to keep hope alive. And hope is the best medicine ever discovered.

"A doctor must know human nature as well as medicine, and this knowledge mixed with medicine is what makes one doctor better than another. I've known 'em to git out of their bed the coldest nights that ever blowed and ride ten miles to doctor a man they knowed wasn't a-goin' to pay a cent. It takes great strength always to handle weakness; it takes a god-like patience to deal with the fretful and not be warped over to the side of continual peevishness, and whenever I hear a doctor a-laughin' I always rejoice with him. Science in medicine travels slow, for every human body is an individual machine, and every mornin' has a new way to go wrong. And I've known men to be such liars that they wouldn't tell a doctor the truth as to how they felt, fearing they were giving him a little advantage. The average doctor has a good sense of humor and has stored up some of the oldest jokes I ever heard, and this is in the direct line of his usefulness for a sick man can't understand a new joke as well as he can an old one. The old one may bring up the memory of a former laugh and thereby do him good.

"The saddest time for the sick man is not when the doctor is coming to see him, but the time when the doctor's bill begins to pay its visits. It ought not to be, but a doctor's bill is a mighty hard thing to pay. It is like paying for a January overcoat in July."

Some Tall Stories.

There was an old fellw named Hughes
Who stood six feet two in his shughes;
He lectured a bit
And made quite a hit
With the jokes that he told on the Jughes.
—Houston Post.

Mild Retribution.

"Sooner or later a political boss is bound to be retired," said one reformer.

"Yes," answered the other, "but by the time he is convicted of being a boss he has accumulated so much wealth that he can easily afford to retire."—Washington Star.

Where It Hurts.

"I've got a bad case of writer's cramp."

"How interesting! I have often heard of writer's cramp; how does it affect the hand?"

"It doesn't affect the hand, it affects the stomach."—Houston Post.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
Digests what you eat.

An enterprising dealer in second-hand clothing in New Haven, who is long on advertising and short on his knowledge of English composition, has compromised on the following sign: "Isadore Levy having cast off clothing of every description, invites your close inspection."

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BETHEL, MAINE.

Time to Settle Up.

There is a lady in this place who professes to be a Christian, offers up prayers at every opportunity, who has recently told several point blank lies about us. In looking at our books we find that she owes for the paper from October 24, 1904. Please call and settle up, "sister," and you can blow to your heart's content, for your stories, like your prayers, don't go higher than the smoke from a hot biscuit.—Antwerp (O.) Bee.

New British Cabinet.

The members of the new British cabinet seem to be outdoor men. Among the sports included in their repertory at recretaion are rowing, racquets, horse racing, hunting, cricket, football, golf, cycling, shooting, angling, yachting, tennis, skating, boxing, walking and mountaineering. Burns, the labor member, is a cricketer, skater, oarsman and boxer.

Norwegian Revival.

Norway has been passing through a religious revival on a scale almost commensurate with her political revolution, declares the Ram's Horn. The Norwegian Evan Roberts is one Albert Lunde, who was converted in 1896 in a Salvation Army barrack in Chicago, and thenceforth worked more or less with the army both in Chicago and Boston.

Correctly Read.

Once in a while these fortune-teller people do hit it right. A palmist in London told a customer that he was shortly to undertake some legal proceedings and that he would be successful. The palmist was right. The customer was a constable and the next morning the palmist was fined in police court.—Utica Observer.

Great Stamp Collector.

State Senator Ernest R. Ackerman, of Plainfield, N. J., who owns one of the largest private collections of stamps in the United States, is the first American to make an entry for the international exhibition to be held from May 23 to June 1 in Horticultural hall, London.

Pastor House Builder.

Rev. Dr. Henry M. Tindall, pastor of the People's Tabernacle, New York city, has undertaken to erect a six-story home for working girls, and every day puts in several hours shoveling gravel, mixing mortar and doing other work at the building. He dresses in overalls and jumpers.

Continuous Struggle.

John Burns, who is a member of the new British cabinet, is called "The Right Honorable John" now by his friends. In the English "Who's Who" he wrote this of himself: "Battersea and at night schools and is still learning. Came into the world with a struggle, struggling now, and prospects of continuing it."

Swell Garter.

The garter which has been conferred on the mikado is set with diamonds, and the star of the order is in diamonds, and the George, which is pendent to the collar of the order, is carved in onyx and set round with brilliants. It cost something well over $5,000.

Ostentation.

"Jinks is always trying to play to the gallery."

"What's up now?"

"He's still keeping those New Year's resolutions he made."—Houston Chronicle.

No Tattle Tale.

Sunday School Teacher—Tommy, doesn't your conscience tell you when you have done wrong?

Tommy—Yes, ma'am; but it doesn't tell my mother.—Kansas City Independent.

Or the Morgue.

A nobleman at Berlin has been sent to jail for three months for cheating at cards. In this country that could not have happened. But he might have gone to the hospital.

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P. F. Rothermel, counsel for the Lake Superior corporation, as the reorganized Consolidated Lake Superior is called, was complimented the other day on the excellent year that the concern has had, says the Pittsburg Gazette.

Mr. Rothermel smiled and answered:

"Yes, the company has gotten quickly on its feet. It has recovered quickly. It was not badly hurt, after all. And thus it resembles a widow of whom I heard recently.

"This lady's husband died, and, a day or two after the funeral, a neighbor called to extend her condolences.

"She expected to find the widow frantic with grief. She found her at the piano, singing a gay song. And, astonished at so quick a recovery, the visitor said:

"'Well, well, I expected to see you in the deepest distress.'

"'Ah,' said the widow, pathetically, 'you should have seen me yesterday.'"

Deep Sea Amenities.

Lobster—Good morning, cousin.

Oyster—"Cousin!" Well, I like your crust!—Chicago Tribune.

Not an Encouraging Theory.

"A public official," said the old-fashioned patriot, "is but the servant of the people."

"Yes," answered the timid citizen, "but in my house the servants sometimes get terribly autocratic."—Washington Star.

Wasted Time.

Artist—You'd be surprised if you knew the amount of time spent on that picture

Friend—Yes; I hear that people stand in front of it for hours trying to make out what it is.—Tit-Bits.

Wife's Aim.

"I met with an unexpected accident yesterday."

"What was it?"

"Wife threw a brush at my head."

"I don't call that an accident."

"I do. She hit me!"—Judge.

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

During the year 1904 Siam exported more than $12,000,000 worth of rice. Teak wood is second in value.

According to a recent report from Tokio, there are 1,786 wholesale and 235,414 retail tobacco dealers in Japan.

The annual value of the mineral products of Germany is about $250,000,000. Coal and iron are the most important.

Prof. T. J. J. See, of Washington, has determined the height of the atmosphere by a new system, which consists in noting the time of sunset and that of the complete disappearance of the blue of the sky.

With a tensile strength often exceeding 300,000 pounds per square inch, steel piano wire seems to be the strongest material known, and it possesses the additional valuable property of a very high elastic limit

It is stated that the best managers, pattern designers and dyers in the Lancashire cotton mills, tempted by high wages, are going out to India and Japan to take charge of mills there. Great quantities of textile machinery are also being exported.

A peculiar process for separating non-magnetic particles like gold from sand has been patented by L. T. Weiss. The metallic particles in mass are electroplated with iron, by a special apparatus, and can then be separated by any magnetic method.

The use of milk of lime for quickly and effectively extinguishing fires in coal mines is recommended by Inspector Wolfang Kummer, a German. The suggestion is not new, but has been newly tested with satisfactory results. The emulsion—which can be used with hand or power pumps—runs into and fills the crevices of the coal or mineral.

Statistics show that since January 1, 1904, 23 new furnaces, with a capacity of 3,137,000 tons of pig iron a year have, been blown in, and that 16 furnaces, with a capacity of 1,830,000 tons a year, are now under construction in the United States. It may be added that plans for as many as 15 modern blast furnaces, in addition to the 16 now building, are quite sure to be put through.

YARNLETS RARE.

The story is told of a girl whose sweetheart said to her one evening: "Were you aware that I passed your house last night?" She gave him a glance full of reproach. "Of course I was," she said. "Do you think I would not know your step?" But at this he grew grave and distrait, for he had passed in a cab.

A venireman gave as his reason for desiring to get out of grand jury service physical disability. "What is the nature of your infirmity?" asked the judge. "I am deaf in one ear, your honor," replied the man. "You'll do," said the judge. "Don't you know you only have to hear one side of a case in the grand jury room?"

A few years ago George F. Haley, of Biddeford, was trying his first criminal case before the supreme judicial court of Maine, with chief Justice John A. Peters on the bench. Mr. Haley was in the middle of his plea when a man in the audience fell over in a convulsion. The young lawyer stopped, disconcerted. "Go on, sir, go on," said the chief justice; "you're giving them fits!"

A crusty old gentleman when a youth asked for the young girl's hand said, with a sneer: "You want to marry my daughter, do you? Let me tell you that you're not exactly the sort of man I would choose for a son-in-law." The youth nodded. "Well, to be frank," he said, "you are not the sort of man I'd choose for a father-in-law, either. But we needn't chum up, you know, unless we want to."

A middle-aged Japanese and a Japanese boy stood before a steamship office regarding the globe that revolved in the window. "Do you mean to tell me," said the boy, "that the world is as round as that?" I do," the man answered. "Then," said the boy, "I can't understand why the people on the other side don't fall off." The man sneered. "You fatigue me," he said," wearily. "Well, why is it?" the boy persisted. "Heaven," the man answered, "has given those people common sense, and they hold on."

SAYINGS OF SAGES.

It takes a heroine to be economical —Unloch.

Glory should follow, not be pursued.—Pliny, Jr.

Benevolent feeling ennobles the most trifling actions.—Thackeray.

The usual fortune of complaint is to excite contempt more than pity.—Johnson.

A given force applied for a given time upon a given point is bound to win.—Napoleon.

Courage consists not in blindly overlooking danger, but in meeting it with the eyes open.—Richter.

Character is a bundle of habits. Habits originate in the mind and are registered on the body.—George D. Tripp.

Every person has two educations; one which he receives from others and one, more important, which he gives himself.—Gibbon.

The mere lapse of years is not life; knowledge, truth, love, beauty, goodness, faith alone can give vitality to the mechanism of existence.—Marcus Aurelius.

Half the sorrows of women would be averted if they could repress the speech they know to be useless—nay, the speech they have resolved not to utter.—George Eliot.

A CAD AND A SURPRISE.

Miss Darcy glanced ruefully at her white linen suit and then at the open window just in front of her. The cinders from the engine were blowing in a shower upon the surface that had been so spotlessly clean a few moments before, when she had boarded the train. She was particularly anxious to present a very good appearance when she should alight at the Lake Forest station. She would not mind Elinor Pearson so much, but Elinor had written that Jim Farnsworth would be with her.

Miss Darcy wondered what Jim Farnsworth looked like. Of course, she did not particularly care, but she hoped that he would be good looking. He was to be imported for her entertainment during her visit to the Pearsons, and she feared that he might not come up to the standard of entertainers that she had been accustomed to. Miss Darcy was a very much petted and very dictatorial young person. At any rate, she would do her best not to disappoint Mr. Farnsworth in any ideal he might have created of her.

Cleanliness being the second of the virtues, she was determined upon keeping that white linen immaculate until she should have time to don the ravishing rose-colored mull in her steamer trunk. Just now the white was being threatened with grime every second. Miss Darcy looked with decision at the head of the man in the seat in front of her. She would have to ask him to lower the window at his side. No other seat in the car was unoccupied.

"I beg your pardon," said Miss Darcy, sweetly, "may I trouble you to close the window there? The cinders are very disagreeable."

The man turned around and gazed at her with some little surprise depicted on his not unpleasant face. He was a young man and might reasonably be expected to capitulate under the shy smile that Miss Darcy bestowed on him. Of course he did not know that she was Miss Darcy, and that she was one of the belles of the town; that men actually prized those smiles of hers, and that she was quite conscious of her position and her power.

"No, I can't close the window," said the man.

"But you haven't tried," said Miss Darcy. "I think that it will work quite easily. The conductor pulled this one down without any difficulty." It never occurred to her that the man might not desire to close the window when she had expressed a wish to the contrary.

"I do not care to close the window," said the man, with finality.

"Oh," gasped Miss Darcy.

She studied the back of the young man's head with the interest of a cat who would like to claw, but is restrained by fear of punishment.

She forgot the cinders and the discomfort, the prospect of Elinor Pearson and Jim Farnsworth, her anticipations and her pleasures, in her anger at the stranger who had been the first man she had ever met who had been actually rude to her.

The conductor came through the car and pulled down a window for an old lady who had been unable to understand the combination. To him Miss Darcy appealed.

"Would you ask this person here if he would mind changing seats with me?" she inquired sweetly. "Then he may have the window open without inconveniencing anyone."

"The person" turned around and measured her with a glance of assured calm.

"I prefer not," he said coldly.

The conductor went down the aisle hurriedly.

Miss Darcy's eyes blazed with futile fury. Finally she could restrain herself no longer. She bent forward again.

"I get off the train in just five minutes now," she said to the objectionable young man, "but in that five minutes I am going to tell you what your mother or your sister, if you ever had them, or some woman who has known you, should have told you years ago. You are a cad, a brutal, bearish cad. You have not the least idea of what courtesy means. You will never learn, but you ought to know that there is a difference between you and gentlemen."

So absorbed was she in her gratuitous lecture in manners that she failed to notice the expression of frozen amazement on the face of the listener.

"Lake Forest!" shouted the conductor.

"If you don't treat your wife any better, and, of course you don't, for men always treat strangers with more courtesy than they do their wives when they are men like you, I hope she gets a divorce from you; that is, if there is any unfortunate who has had the bad luck to have married you. God help her!"

It was the longest speech Miss Darcy had ever made and decidedly the most passionate and unconventional. When she had finished she made a dash for the door so hurriedly that she did not see that the young man was immediately behind her. She saw Elinor Pearson beside the big automobile and hastily ran toward her. Elinor greeted her effusively. Miss Darcy was glad that there was no Jimmie Farnsworth there for the moment.

"Jimmie's coming on this train, too," said Elinor. "I wonder—oh, there he is now. Jimmie!"

Miss Darcy turned to acknowledge the introduction of the young man who was to be her especial property during her visit to the Pearson's. Then, to Elinor's consternation, she laughed wildly. Jimmie was the rude young man of the train.—Chicago Journal.

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